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PETERS VILLAGE

June 2019

VISION IN THE VALLEY

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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISH OF BURHAM & WOULDHAM
All Saints Church, Wouldham

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Dear friends



WEDDINGS

One of the best weddings I went to took place in a registry office. The bride and groom arrived on the local bus. After the ceremony the wedding party walked across the road to the rose garden in the local park for photos. Then they walked to the function room in the local pub, with catering from a local Indian restaurant. The bride wore a stylish dress which was not specifically a wedding dress so could be worn again on subsequent special occasions. Various guests supplied live music. Clearly this was not an expensive wedding and it was probably quite an environmentally-friendly one!

I sometimes meet people who say they are ready to get married but can't afford it.

But surely the important part of the wedding is the act of commitment to a loving relationship with loved ones there to celebrate. That doesn't have to involve huge expense and stress. So I think if a couple want a simple wedding they should not care about what people think!

One important aspect of a wedding for many people is that of consciously making vows in the presence of God.

The cost of a church wedding in All Saints Wouldham is currently £485 (including banns and certificate). This is a national fee which applies in all Church of England parish churches. There would also be a verger fee of £25, and if you wanted bells £60 for a full peal, flowers £65 (but you could do your own), organist if wanted £70, choir if wanted £65. So if you had all of those things it would come to £770. That compares very favourably with the registry office options. And then what happens after can be grand or simple according to taste.

A church wedding also involves some preparation for the important step of marriage which is either done with the local vicar, or sometimes by taking part in a course with other couples getting married in local churches.

If you want to discuss your wedding please do get in touch with me or with Catherine Gore (contact details opposite).

In peace, Mike

A Note from the Editor.....

This month, on centre pages, I've included information about 'what's going on in the villages' so that people might find activities locally that they'd enjoy and to meet people. I've been sent lots of information and I've added what I know but please send me your information about clubs and activities so that they can be included - space permitting.

Funerals:

4 April, Mick Richardson

13 May,
Brigadier John Wilks CBE

Baptisms

12 May,
Roman William Low-Hing

Choir Practice

Church choir practice is on
Thursdays, 7.30pm at All Saints
Church, Wouldham.

New junior and senior members are
most welcome.

For enquiries, please contact
Sandra Holman: Tel. 01634-867586

Bell Ringing

Bell Ringing Practice is on Wednesdays at 8pm at All Saints Church,
Wouldham. New ringers are welcome.

CREAM TEAS

also tower & church yard tours

All Saints Church, Wouldham

This month only on 2nd Sunday—

9th June, 2.0pm – 4.30pm



TODDLER CHURCH



**Action Song, Story, Prayer &
Social Time.**

**For babies, toddlers, parents,
carers.**

**All are welcome, just drop in.
All Saints' Church, Wouldham.
Every Friday 9.15 - 10.15. TERM
TIME ONLY**

**Enquiries to mike-
jhayes@hotmail.co.uk or
07964 697556**

MESSY CHURCH

for all ages

on

16th June, 10.30am

Burham Community Centre

**Games, painting and many other
activities and a special bible story .
Refreshments.**

**Contact:
[http://wouldhamchurch.org.uk/
contact.html](http://wouldhamchurch.org.uk/contact.html)**

JUNE

Church of England Services



Every Friday, TODDLER CHURCH.

9.15-10.15am **Term time only** (*see opposite*) All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday, 2nd June. Environment Sunday

9.00am Said Holy Communion Burham Community Centre

10.30am Worship for Environment Sunday All Saints, Wouldham
with Wouldham School Choir

Sunday, 9th June, Pentecost Sunday

9.15-10.15 'Thy Kingdom Come' Prayer All Saints, Wouldham

10.30am Sung Holy Communion

Thursday, 13th June

11.00am Winchester House Holy Communion. All are welcome

Sunday, 16th June, Trinity Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham

10.30am, Messy Church (*see opposite*) Burham Community Centre

Sunday, 23rd June, 1st Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Sung Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday, 30th June, 2nd Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Sung Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham
& 40th anniversary of Mike's ordination.

COFFEE MORNING

Friday, 28th June,
10.45-11.45am

just come along to...

All Saints, Wouldham

You will be very welcome



THANK YOU

Thank you to Richard, Vale Bakery for kindly donating the Hot Cross buns for Good Friday Messy Church. They were very much appreciated and enjoyed.

Back for the 3rd year and now including Peter's Village!

**The ECCLES, BURHAM & PETER'S VILLAGE
JUMBLE TRAIL
15th JUNE, 10am-3pm**



Residents, in the 3 villages will be joining forces to sell 'once loved' items, hand made or home grown goods and refreshments from the comfort of their own home. It's a bootless bootsale or a yard sale with a difference!

The past two years have been a great community event and attracted interest and visitors from the wider areas. New or old to the villages, you will get a real opportunity to get to know both your neighbours and the area and bag a bargain too!

All profits from the booking fees go to local good causes in the villages. The past two years have supported Eccles and Burham Pre-schools. The money you make on the day from your sales, you keep!

If you have bits to sell, live in one of the three villages and would like to take part either contact:

Gayle on 078144 22696 or book directly on this link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eccles-burham-peters-villages-ebp-2019-jumble-trail-tickets-59125038582>



**CHARITIES of the month at
Burham Church (Methodist)**

In May the proceeds from our various activities were donated to **Alzheimer's**

Research. Each month all the proceeds from our regular activities are donated to a selected charity and usually about £100 is raised in this way. This month we are supporting **Action for Children.** Action for Children was originally 'The National Children's Homes' and has developed its work with children over the years and is now involved in supporting vulnerable and needy children and young people. They are celebrating their 150th anniversary this year and having special fund-raising activities, suggesting that different organisations hold events with a target of raising £150. Hopefully our fund-raising this month will enable us to donate this amount and ask you to give generously this month.

THE CHURCH IN BURHAM (Methodist)

All services & meetings are at the church in
Church St, Burham.



MINISTER Rev. Noreen Daley-Lee Tel: 01732 642581

Stewards:

Eileen Smith : Tel. 01634 867022. Joyce Brown: Tel. 01634 864413

Rod Murr: Tel. 01634 868075. Trevor Smith :Tel. 01634867022

Requests for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals to:

Rev Noreen Daley-Lee or one of the Stewards.

JUNE SERVICES

10.30am, **Sunday, 2nd June** Morning Worship led by Richard Wade

10.30am, **Sunday, 9th June** Morning Worship led by Worship Group

10.30am, **Sunday, 16th June** Morning Worship led by Monica Wilding

10.30am, **Sunday, 23rd June** Holy Communion led by Rev. Noreen Daley- Lee

10.30am, **Sunday, 30th June** Morning Worship led by David Newell

OTHER MEETINGS

AFTERNOON TEA. Every Tuesday 3.00pm

Why not join us to enjoy a cup of tea and cake with a fun quiz and good company. All are welcome.

COUNTRY LUNCH. Thursday, 13th June, 1pm. See below-

FILM CLUB. Wednesday, 5th June, 7.30pm

This month we will be showing 'The Girl with the Pearl Earring' starring Colin Firth and Scarlet Johansson. Do join us to watch the film and share tea and coffee afterwards for which we ask a donation of £1.

BOOK EXCHANGE. Saturday, 1st June, 10.30am – 12 noon

An opportunity for you to bring books you have read and exchange them for others from our good selection. Tea and coffee are served together with homemade cake for which we ask a donation of £1.



Don't know what to have for lunch?

Why not come to the next monthly **COUNTRY LUNCH**

Thursday 13th June at 1pm.

served in The Church Hall of The Church in Burham, Church St.

We serve a bowl of homemade soup with crusty bread and cheese.

Followed by fruit crumble and ice cream. Tea or coffee to finish. We ask for a donation of £3 and all profits are given to our chosen charity of the month.

**2019 EVENTS AT ST MARY'S CHURCH,
BURHAM** *(down by the river)*
Come and join us in this beautiful setting



Quiz: Saturday June 8th 7:30pm

'This is my Theatre' Romeo and Juliet: Saturday June 29th 7:30pm

Flower Festival: Saturday & Sunday July 13th & 14th 10-4pm

This is my Theatre - Wind in the Willows: Sunday August 11th 3pm

This is my Theatre - Importance of Being Earnest: Sun. Aug. 11th 7:30pm

Music Festival: Saturday September 7th

Art Exhibition: Saturday & Sunday September 21st & 22nd 10-4pm

This is my Theatre - Snow Queen: Saturday November 23rd 2pm

Carols by Candlelight: Saturday December 14th

We will be posting dates of all these events on our facebook page

www.facebook.com/stmarysburham and in the parish magazine.

Or call Rosie 01634 672346

We hope you will be able to join us.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S BURHAM

ST MARY'S OLD CHURCH

(DOWN BY THE RIVER)

BURHAM ME13XY

PRESENTS:

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY JUNE 8TH

7:30PM START

£2 A HEAD 6 TO A TABLE

BRING DRINKS AND NIBBLES

TO BOOK CONTACT

PHILIP 01634 247314

EMAIL PBADMAN11@GMAIL.COM

OR ON WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/STMARYSBURHAM

THIS IS MY THEATRE



Romeo & Juliet

www.thisismytheatre.com / 07732 253311

29th June 7.30pm

St Mary's Church

Burham

£12.50 general admission (discounts available)

Please buy tickets in advance.

For more information please see website

Consequence hangs in the stars...

WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL



ELECTIONS:

Congratulations to all those Councillors who were re-elected and our new Councillor Adam Baker who lives in Wouldham South.

Your Parish Council: Jenny Head—Chair, Eddy Bell -Vice Chair, Daphne Parris, Martin Jukes, Andy Marr, Nikki Harrison, Theresa Gray, Adam Baker. We also congratulate the Borough Councillors, Roger and Dave who were re-elected.

POSTAL VOTES

Just a reminder that you can get postal votes from TMBC, just contact their electoral department on 01732 844522.

CAR PARK

Hopefully the car park will by now be resurfaced. There will be new rules for the car park which will appear on our website and on site. If you are a user of the car park please take time to read them.

JUMBLE TRAIL

This year's jumble trail for Eccles, Burham and Wouldham South will be on 15th June, 10am-3pm. Once again there will be "once loved" items, handmade or home grown goods and refreshments. This is a great community event. For more information contact Gayle on — gayle.wallace@btconnect.com. If anyone from Wouldham North would like to help Gayle next year, she would be willing to hear from you.

FOOD WASTE ON THE REC.

It has come to our notice that food waste is being left on the recreation ground. Please don't do this as it could be poisonous for dogs.

CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

Heart of Kent Hospice are starting a Compassionate Neighbours scheme for those with a terminal illness who can become increasingly vulnerable, isolated and lonely. If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact the PC or the 60+ club.

The next Parish Council meeting is on 4th June, Wouldham Village Hall. We welcome residents. The agenda is printed on the notice boards and on our website: wouldhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

CONTACT: Clerk Nicky Grimes: clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk

Tel. 01634 864319

Chair Jenny Head: jheadwpc@gmail.com

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Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School

Welcome summer! June always sneaks up on us and arrives in a bit of a rush. One moment it seems like we're fighting through March and then all of a sudden its June! Our final term is about to start and what a busy one it will be. But before that, what have we been up to in May?

Term 5 was very short with a number of weeks having less than five days at school making it seem even shorter. Our themes saw lots of work on how plants grow as well as learning about different places in the world. Our visits included Hall Place Gardens, Bedgebury Pinetum, Winchester House, Chatham Synagogue as well as sports events and the usual Forest School, swimming and library.

Our eldest children took their SATs tests and are now preparing for their move to secondary school. Following a number of appeals we are really pleased that a third of our Year 6 children will be starting at grammar schools in September. Very well done to you all!

More good news – following a successful fund raising programme and with some very generous sponsors we have managed to secure the purchase of a new minibus to replace one that had to be retired earlier in the spring. An enormous thank you to all those that have worked so hard in fundraising and to those who have given so generously. We still have one old and battered vehicle that will also need replacing so please get in touch if you are able to help sponsor another!

Even more good news – we've managed to launch a walking bus which should help reduce car journeys to and from school. The idea of the walking bus is that a number of volunteers co-ordinate a walking trip from the rec to the school each day. This is free to use and means people can drop off at the rec rather than driving all the way to school. If successful it will hopefully expand and extend the route further.

So, on to June – we are thinking about careers with our junior children and about the seaside for our younger classes. This will involve finding out about times past as well as present and maybe even what things will be like in the future. Our older children may well be predicting what their futures look like and think about what they will need to do to get there. If you have an unusual job or a great story about how you got to where you are then please come and share it with the children.

We also have lots of sporting activity including trips to the trampolining centre 'Flip Out'. We also celebrate Pentecost and hope to experiment with holding worship outside from time to time! Let's hope the sun shines!

BURHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS JUNE 2019



Keep up to date with Parish Council business, visit:
Website: www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk
Facebook page “Burham Parish Council”

Due to the uncontested elections, we have councillor vacancies available. If you are interested, or just want to know a little more, please give me a call or pop into the parish office (open Mon – Fri 10 am – 2 pm).

The lease (from Trenport) on the land between New Court Road and Court Rd has now been signed by Parish Council representatives and should be in effect by the time this goes to print, .

As of late April, we have a new Community Warden Vivien Hickmott, the contact number for her remains the same (07813694140). We welcome Viv to Burham and the surrounding villages and wish Debbie Foreman all the best for the future. If you see Viv around the village, I’m sure she would appreciate a “friendly hello”.

We are still communicating with the authorities (KCC Highways and TMBC) regarding matters such as Church Street gateway, change of speed limits at the end of Church Street (new Court Rd end) and road signs on the spur road between New Court Rd and Court Rd.

Please be reminded not to park in inappropriate areas such as double yellow lines, on corners, over dropped kerbs and at crossing points. We do appreciate that parking can be a problem in the village. However, inconsiderate parking does cause problems for many.

The Cardboard/paper bank generated funds of just £1000 in the last financial year. The uplift charges for exchanging the bank has increased and now we no longer receive payments from the company direct. We still however receive payments from KCC as recycling credits. Please use this facility (as well as all the other recycling banks) as much as possible and remember to break down any large boxes to enable more cardboard/paper to be recycled.

Please ensure that you log any criminal activity with the Police (on 101 or via their website).

We are still collating problems with the Arriva 155 day time bus service. If you experience any problems at all, please let me know including lateness, missed stops or any other related matters.

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If you have any items that you would like the Parish Council to discuss, just give me a call on 01634 685936, e-mail me on pam@burhampc.co.uk or come along to the monthly meetings, normally held the last Monday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 24th June 2019, 7.30 pm The Parish Building, ROCHESTER ROAD, BURHAM. Pam Saunders – Clerk.



Join us on the Rec for
(or in the Old School Community Hall if wet)
The Royal Picnic
Monday 10th June , 7pm – 9pm



ALL welcome!

Bring along blankets, outdoor games, food and drink – Patriotic dress optional. Fairy cakes included

Psst...Look out for future events, including details of our fortnightly ramble, via our Facebook page If you would like to help out in anyway, or offer new ideas, or are just curious to see what we are about, please do drop by.

BURHAM UNITED CHARITIES

Burham United Charities are a local charitable organisation that provides assistance to those in need living within the old parish boundaries (i.e. Burham Village and parts of Blue Bell Hill).

Every year the Charity gives grants towards the Winter Fuel costs of retired villagers on restricted incomes.

They can also offer one off grants to help alleviate particular instances of hardship for any resident of the parish.

Parents of school age children may obtain help with some of the costs associated with schooling.

If you, or someone you know, is on a low income or has an exceptional need which is not provided for by Welfare Benefits, we may be able to help.

Contact: Dave Young (01634 867669) or Roger Kiralfy (01634 869900)

THE HENRY PETERS CHARITY

This charity was set up by Henry Peters in his will around 1912 to be distributed to the sick and poor of Wouldham by the Parish Council. The trustees have agreed that the payments could be used to fund residents getting to and from the doctors' surgery or hospital. To apply please contact the Council clerk on 01634 864319 or clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk.



REPORTING 155 BUS PROBLEMS ?

A number of residents who rely on buses have spoken to local councillors about late cancelled 155 buses.

The buses are a vital link for many people and especially those who do not drive. It is important if there is a poor or non-existent service, that it is reported. So a new system of reporting problems has been set up.

If you have problems please contact **Pam Saunders: 01634 685936 or pam@burhampc.co.uk** (Parish Clerk for Burham) or **Nicky Grimes: 01634 864319 or clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk** (Parish Clerk, Wouldham.)

They will require the date and time of the incident, the direction of the bus and brief details of the problem. This should be done as soon as possible after the incident and the details will then be passed to Kent County Council for follow up action.

Any poor service we suffer from now will take time to sort out and it is dependent on timely reporting of the problems as they occur.

BURHAM C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR



**SATURDAY 6th JULY,
11.30am-3.30pm
SCHOOL FIELD**

**REFRESHMENTS
BAR AND BBQ**

**ENTERTAINMENT
INCLUDING:
MAGIC SHOW WITH DIZZY
LOLLYPLUS
SINGING from VOCADEMY
AND DANCING DISPLAYS**

RAFFLE

**STALLS
AND
GAMES**

**INFLATABLES
GO KARTS**

PARISH INFORMATION

Burham Parish Council

Pam Saunders – Clerk.

The Parish Office, Rochester Road. Burham. ME1 3RJ

Opening times: Mon-Frid., 10am—2pm

Tel: 01634 685936. Email: pam@burhampc.co.uk

www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

The next Council meeting: 24 June, 7.30pm. Usually the last Monday in the month

Wouldham Parish Council

Parish Clerk—Nicky Grimes 01634 864319 clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk

www.wouldhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

Council Meetings are held in Wouldham Village Hall. The next meeting: 4 June, 7.30pm. Usually on the first Tuesday of the month.

Community Warden:- Vivien Hickmott 07813694140

Police - PCSO Jo-Anne Tiller, non emergency tel no. – 101

3 Defibrillators: Situated: 1. Outside Burham Parish Office.

2. Outside Wouldham Village Hall. 3. Outside Wouldham Village Store. If a machine is needed, call 999 for the code and instructions.

SATURDAY WASTE COLLECTION

TMBC Helpline 01732 876147 www.tmbc.gov.uk

Wouldham - Car Park, Knowle Rd,
1st June, 8.00am–9.00am.

Burham, Village Hall Car Park,
1st June, 9.15am -10.15am

Eccles – Bull Lane lay-by.
1st June, 10.30am- 11.30am
15th June, 8.00am—8.45am

Snodland- Saltings Road
(outside Neville Park)

8th June, 8.00am—9.00am
22nd June, 8.00am-9.00am

Snodland—St Benedicts Rd,
junction of Paddlesworth Rd.
15th June, 8.00-9.00am

All sites on the Saturday Service have **WEEE** collection ie- Waste, Electrical, Electronic, Equipment & **scrap metal items** at the same time that Veolia's vehicles are on site.

Do not leave waste unattended at the collection sites or in advance of the waste vehicles arriving

CHURCHS

C of E Parish of Burham & Wouldham:

All Saints, Wouldham. Parish Church. See all Services on page 2 & 3.

Burham Old School community Centre:

1. Messy Church – 3rd Sunday of the month 10.30-12 noon.
Contact- Rod Murr 01634 868075.
2. 9.00am Early morning communion. 1st Sunday of the month.

St Marys Church, Old Church Rd, Burham is a redundant Anglican Church under the care of the Churches Conservation Trust. Occasional special C of E services held there and events run by the Friends of St Marys. See page 6.

Methodist Church

The Church in Burham (Methodist) Church St, Burham. See page 5.

HALLS FOR HIRE

Burham Old School Community Centre – 01634 863322

Burham Village Hall – 07842883028

Burham Methodist Church Hall – 01634 867022

Wouldham Village Hall – 01634 864319 clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk



Phoenix Medical Practice

33, Bell Lane, Burham, Rochester. ME1 3SX
Telephone 01634 867982. Fax 01634 864513

Opening times

Monday & Thursday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Dispensary Opening Times

Monday & Thursday: 8:45 am - 12:00 pm
2.00 pm – 4:45 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:45 am - 12:00 pm
3:30 pm – 6:15 pm

www.phoenixsurgery-burham.nhs.uk

PRESCRIPTIONS

If you are unable to collect your prescriptions and live in Burham, Wouldham or Peters Village, the Church offers a collection service.

Contact: Rachael Harris. 07725289194 *The surgery require 72 hours to prepare the prescription and the volunteers collecting these prescriptions need 24hrs notice.*

What's Going On?

ALLOTMENTS

Allotments are available to grow your own fruit and veg. The size of the allotment is dependent on your requirements.

Burham. Contact- Dave Young 01634 867669.

Wouldham. Contact Sue: 682363

EATING & DRINKING

The Butchers Block Pub/Restaurant, Burham - 01634 786626

The Robin Hood Pub/Restaurant. Common Rd, 01634 861500

The Windmill Inn /Restaurant, Burham - 01634 864570

Happy House Chinese takeaway, Burham - 01634 668326

Fish & Chips Van, Wednesday, 5-8pm. Burham Hall Village Car Park

Medway Inn/Rubys Indian Restaurant & Takeaway, Wouldham. 869181

Waterman Arms, Wouldham. Sunday lunch and Friday afternoon tea.

01634 681830

SOCIAL GROUPS & MEETINGS

Women's Institute - 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Burham Village Hall. 7.30pm. Contact Eileen Smith 01634 867022.

Wouldham 60+CLUB. Social afternoon for over 60s. Meeting Tuesdays, 2-4pm at the Watermans Arms, Wouldham

Burham Meeting Place - A Community Group socialising with social events for the whole community. Meeting once a month on a Monday evening, 7.30pm till 9pm usually the second Monday of the month.

Rambles are also organised fortnightly. Contact - Jane Gilbert. Evenings are best time to contact: 01634 682910.

Thursday Community Club - Burham Community Centre, 10.30-12pm. Tea, coffee, cakes. Friendly gatherings & outings.

Contact - Betty Young 01634 867669

Afternoon Tea - Burham Methodist Church Hall every Tuesday 3-4.30pm. Contact Trevor Smith 01634 867022.

Coffee Morning. All Saints church, Wouldham. Last Friday of the month 10.45 –11.45am

Cream Teas in summer months All Saints church, Wouldham. (page 2)

Men's Supper All Saints church, Wouldham.

Contact - Dennis Worcester 01634 672060

Country Lunch - Once a month. 1pm in the Methodist Church Hall usually the 2nd Thursday. £3. Contact Trevor Smith 01634 867022

CRAFTS

Bear Paws Quilters in Burham Community Centre. Meeting twice a month on a Wednesday. Many talented people with varied abilities in all areas of needlework. 7.30-9pm Contact Mrs Taylor 01634 861781.

BOOKS/FILM

KCC Mobile Library: Fortnightly on Tuesdays:

This month on 4th & 18th June.

Wouldham, Walter Burke Ave - 13.15-13.45hrs.

Wouldham, Ravensknowle - 13.55-14.25hrs.

Burham, Village Hall - 14.35-15.35hrs

Book Club - Meet 3rd Wednesday of the month at various venues.

Contact - Gwen Worcester 01634 672060.

Book Exchange - 1st Saturday of the month in the Burham Methodist Church Hall 10.30-12 noon. Contact Trevor Smith 01634 867022.

Film Club 1st Wednesday of the month 7.30pm. Burham Methodist Church Hall. Contact Trevor Smith 01634 867022.

ACTIVITY/SPORT

Burham Baton Twirlers -Village Hall every other Thursday 4.15-30pm.

Contact Lyn Robinson 07729 373558.

Burham Blue Bells Dance School. Sat 9.30-12noon in Community Centre 3 years and above. Contact - to be confirmed.

Duet Dance School Fri 3.30-7pm. Julie Potter/Hayley Mann
duets_dancer_school@yahoo.com

Burham Football Club - Contact Paul Fitzpatrick 07805198937.

Force Medway Group - Self Defence in Burham Village Hall.

Tues 7.30-9.30pm. Weds 6-7.15pm. Fri 6-8.30pm.

Contact Stuart or Lorraine Lowe 01634 862943

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In the veg garden the harvests should be under way with early lettuce, peas, broad beans & radishes being ready. Now the weather is warmer, its easy to sow more seed directly into the ground, salad crops such as beetroot, spring onions, lettuce, radish & pea shoots are all ideal. Summer crops like Runner or French beans, cucumber, courgettes, sweetcorn & Squashes can be sown directly, or if you have sown seed previously the plants can now be planted out. If space is limited, most crops can be grown in pots, but its important to remember to water them every day & feed regularly too. Also Tomatoes and Chillies (pinch out the tops to encourage bushy growth) can be planted out, either in beds, pots or grow bags. Keep the tomatoes well watered and again feed regularly, remembering to pinch out side shoots as they develop. Once the chillies have started to flower, it's better to let them dry out a little between waterings' – stressing the plants encourages more heat in the fruit themselves.

Other things to be doing in the garden now:

Regularly mowing the lawn and trimming hedges will keep the gardens looking neat.

Keep pots well watered, they will dry out quickly in summer even after rain the foliage and flowers can prevent it reaching the soil.

Annuals and bedding can be planted up into baskets and borders for instant seasonal colour.

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Wow how quickly the months are passing us by, we are all getting Summer ready here at Winchester House.

First of all, I would like to thank Mrs Fitter and the Children from Wouldham All Saints Primary school for joining us in our 'Age of Creativity' Active Armchairs session, 1 hour of music, fun and dance. It was so much fun and very active. We love these visits so much and we are now looking forward to setting a date to visit the school and help the children create a beautiful garden area. Will let you know how this goes.

Also big plans for National Care Home open day on Friday the 28th June, we are having a 1940's Street party and inviting the Children to join us in the fun. Lots of nice things to eat and drink with music by Sue Caroline, who will be singing 1940's vintage style music. Posters will be up nearer the time and you are welcome to come and join the fun and visit our lovely home.

We have also recently been visited by some of the children from Holmesdale School, Snodland, who came and very kindly gave Easter Eggs to our residents. They enjoyed it so much they have asked to come back again. So in June we are starting a reading group with them and we are all so looking forward to welcoming them back.

We have had our first trip out on the Kingfisher boat, the weather was amazing unfortunately we did not see any Kingfishers but we were on the lookout. It was a lovely relaxing afternoon with lots of laughs. Thank you Dennis Worchester, who came along and helped. Always guaranteed a good laugh when Dennis is in your company.

We have had lots of things going on here and continue to be busy in the gardens and just looking forward to enjoying a lovely summer time.

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