# **Sunday Schools**

Painter's Forstal meets at 10.40am on 5th August and 2nd September.

Eastling and Ospringe will meet in September (no August meetings), details in next month's magazine.

Young People's discussion group meets at 10.40 in Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal on 5th August and 2nd September.

#### WANTED.....

Steve Youle

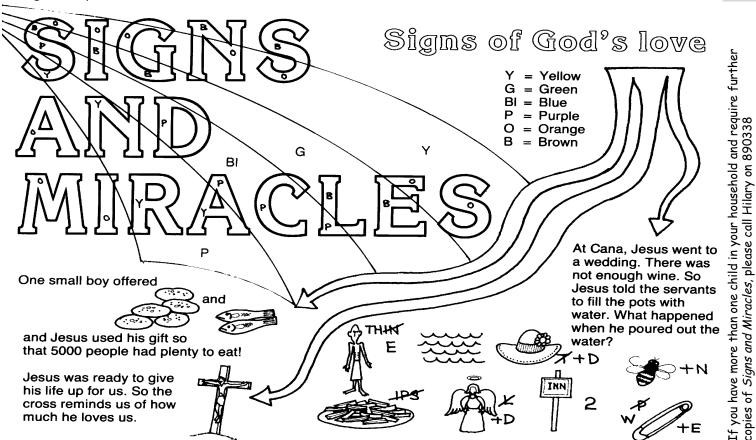
will be leading

Sunday School leader needed at Painter's Forstal from September, please call Bobbie on 532756 or Mark on 890338 for more information.



Sunday School children on the Bike Ride, so sponsors will be needed, please phone 890368 if you can support the children.

All our churches will be open for the day; please contact your wardens if you can Bike, or Hike, or Church Sit for a hour during the day.



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'I know that', replied the garage man,

The curate hadn't been

in the parish long

car servicing. He

said to the garage

owner 'Keep the

cost as I am only

'I heard you last week.'

a poor preacher.

when he needed his

#### **Bible Searchword** Clues

1. Adam and Eve's second son (4) Gen. 4.2 2. Home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus (7) John 12.1

3. Bird that brought bcak the first green leaf to Noah (4) Gen 8.11 4. An angel who was God's special messenger (7) Luke 1.19

5. Apostle who was a fisherman and brother of James (4) Mark 2.17

6. Prophet and book of the Old Testament (5)

7. Title of the Kings of Egypt (7) Gen 13.15

8. Capital of the Roman Empire (4) Acts 28.14

9 Old Testament book and Moabite girl who followed her mother-inlaw. Naomi, back to Bethlehem(4) 10. Abraham's wife and mother of Isaac (5) Gen17.19

Answers (inside back cover) to the auestions are hidden in the grid, where the words read forward, backwards, up, down and diagonally, always in a straight line.

# Club 8 - 12

50p per session August 10th - Crafts in the Champion Hall, 6.15pm. August 24th - Barbeque at Huda. Tel: 532756 for more information.



# 'BUT WHY DO WE HAVE TO GO TO CHURCH?'

This question is generally asked of us at least once every Sunday morning by our son Samuel. We trot out the usual reasons (some of which may be reflected in Samuel's own account below) in an attempt to explain this increasingly unconventional habit to the six year old mind. If we're honest there are some Sunday mornings when we emerge after an hour chasing after William (aged 3), trying to divert him from his disruptive behaviour and contain his tantrums, when we think to ourselves, 'Yeah, why do we have to go to Church?'.

It is times like these that we remind ourselves that we do not have to go to Church. We go because we have made a commitment to follow Jesus and we know that we cannot sustain that commitment on our own. It is like a journey that we have embarked upon and cannot complete without the right fuel to keep us going. And the fuel that has sustained these past ten years or so, and will continue to sustain us in the future, is three things: prayer; God's Word as revealed in the Bible; and, perhaps most of all when we're struggling to keep going, the encouragement of others who are

running the same race. If we lose the discipline of going to Church, we will soon fall behind and drop out of the race, discouraged and debilitated. Ah, but surely you don't have to go to Church to be a Christian? Too right. We've just never met anyone who has managed to do it! After all, where else in our lives can we find spiritual sustenance: the television? newspaper? internet? (any other suggestions?)

Like all parents, we want to give our children the best in life. In a world that is increasingly 'worldly' and spiritually empty, children have little opportunity to discover the Christian faith. And if Christianity is a closed book, to whom (or what!) will they turn when they have to deal with the harsh realities of life. We cannot bequeath our faith to them, but we can help them to understand Christianity, so that they are equipped to choose for themselves when they are ready. Which brings us back to the question we started with.

And now, with a sharp intake of breath, we hand over to Samuel for an answer to that old chestnut: why do we go to Church on Sunday? 'Because it's a good place to learn about Jesus' (phew!)

The Batey Family

#### **Prayer Pointers** August 2001

<u>Sundays</u>	For a greater trust in God in
	our daily lives.
<u>Mondays</u>	The refreshment and safety
	of all on holiday.
<u>Tuesdays</u>	For benefice activities in the
	coming month.
Wednesdays	Local Christian holiday
	clubs.
<u>Thursdays</u>	Our national leaders in
-	Church and state.
<u>Fridays</u>	For long term refugees.
<u>Saturdays</u>	Christians in Burma and

Thailand.



#### A big Thank You

from Ted and Jean to all our friends, for their kindness and best wishes, that made our 50th Anniversary party such a wonderful experience. We really do appreciate all that you did, and count ourselves blessed to have so many friends around us.

# Our Summer Lunch at the Alma was an enjoyable occasion - excellent

food and company!

On Saturday 21st July Mothers' Union members were asked to hold a short time of prayer for the cancellation of the Third World debt, and also for those who suffer from oppression and injustice.

#### WEEK OF REFLECTION

	During the week 5th - 11th August members are asked to give					
	a few moments each day to think about the following issues:-					
Sunday 5th Living in Truth			1Chron. 29 v17			
	Monday 6th	Psalm 139 v3				
Tuesday 7th Rooted in Wisdom Wisdom 5						
	Wednesday 8th Discernment 1Kings 3 v					
	Thursday 9th	y 9th Uncluttering our lives Matt. 6 v21				
	(Mary Sumner Day)					
	Friday 10th	Moving through change John 14 v1				
	Saturday 11th	rday 11th Nurturing our Spirit Matt. 22 v39				

# Mothers' Union News

Our Deanery Festival Service to celebrate 125 years of the Mothers' Union will be held in Ospringe Church on Friday 7th September, 2001, at 2.30pm. Our preacher will be the Revd. Marguerite Mower (former Branch Leader) and prayers will be led by Sue Spillett (Prayer and Spirituality co-ordinator). Members, families and friends are welcome.

We hope to make a day of this special celebration by visiting the Maison Dieu at 11.00am, to see the artefacts on display there and to have a glass of wine. We will then go across the road to the local inn for a light lunch, which will be followed by a guided tour of Ospringe Church before the service at 2.30pm. Do come and help us celebrate and give thanks for our world-wide organisation that is committed to Christ and the family.

Carol Marshall.

## **CHOIR REPORT**

We will continue to have short Choir Practices before the Services, 10.15 a.m. on the 5th August, and 10.25a.m. for 10.30 a.m. on the 12th and 26th August. I am also going to try to fit in some Choir Practices on Wednesdays, 6 - 6.45 p.m. I have been offered help from Carolynne Brightman, Megan and Joe's Mum and Lauren's Mum as well as Freda and Don who have been stalwarts. Although I am restricted with some sciatica the Choir needs the musical and spiritual training. Let us see how it goes for a time.

It was good to welcome Abbey Page into the Choir. Thank you to Pat for performing the ceremony. She was joined by her family and smiled throughout.

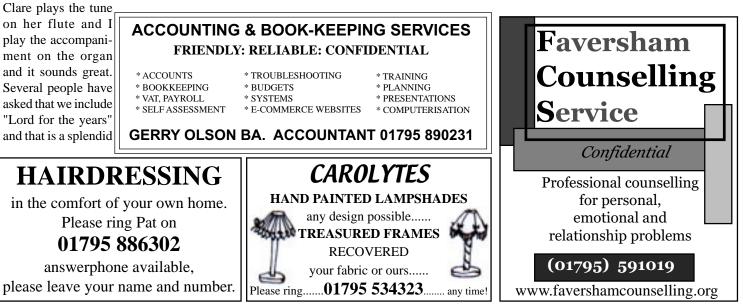
The Deanery Evensong at the Cathedral on 24th June was a wonderful occasion. We filled the Choir places and were well supported by the Deanery congregations. Lovely to see

Joyce there, she beamed throughout. Peter Hook came over from Norwich to play the organ and Liz Jenkins was an excellent conductor. There were 5 of us from our Benefice and the Choirmaster from Lenham became an honorary member. We sang "Lord for Thy Tender Mercies Sake" and "Non Nobis Domine". We would like to thank Liz and Preston Church Choir for allowing us to join in their practices. It was good to see Penny in the Return Stalls.

On Friday, 7th September, at 2.30 p.m. at our Church. Pat Pollard is leading the Deanery M.U. in a Celebration of 125 years of M.U. I am keen that the music reflects the best in music over the last 125 years and so far plan to include the Hymns, "The Church's One Foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord", "Take my Life and let it be". "Be still for the Presence of the Lord" and "I'll go in the strength of the Lord".

on her flute and I play the accompaniment on the organ and it sounds great. Several people have asked that we include "Lord for the years" and that is a splendid

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recently composed hymn. Gill Wilson has agreed to sing a couple of solos and I am looking for the copy of "Calling me" to the Theme from Dvorak's "From the New World" Symphony. Pat has found some prayers from across the world to reflect the World-wide work and impact of the MU. In the morning we are offering a tour of the Maison Dieu at 11 a.m.and after the Celebration there will be time to have fellowship over a cuppa. I am hoping to attract MU members and friends to sing as a Choir in the Choir Stalls. A good bank of sound in our Choir Stalls will enhance the Celebration. Please let me know if you are free that afternoon and would like to sing with us. I have seen several friends when shopping and they are keen. Let us hope for good weather so our visitors can see Ospringe in all its late Summer glory.

God bless, Vicky Shepherd.

Saturday, 16th June, Peggy Partis and I joined the Kent County Organists for their outing to *Cambridge. We had lunch with Betty Blake* who reads all our news in the Good News so she knew what I had been up to!! Betty looked great and I took a lovely photo of her which I will put up in Church. She attends the Wesley House Church, has made many friends there and looks after the flowers. We did enjoy catching up with her as well as listening to four different organs and joining in with 500+ others for Evensong in Kings College Chapel where the Choir was led by Nicholas Cleobury.

During the Faversham Open House Saturdays it was good to play the organs at Ospringe and at The Almshouses Chapel. Thank you to Andrew Baxter for helping, to the Stewards who welcomed everyone to our Church, to Pat and Norman for organising the Church to LEIRBAG EB NHOJ R EV **T** V Q T D A A A B Q S N A Ε YR R QLAA MH HACIME R

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4.Gabriel 5.John 6.Micah 7.Pharoh 8.Rome 9.Ruth 10.Sarah

# **FROM THE ORGAN SEAT**

be available and to the bellringers for opening the Tower. Carolynne Brightman does a splendid job organising the Open House Days for The Faversham Society and is now planning the one for 2002!! Carolynne and Colin have joined our team of bellringers and it is good to have them join our services. Perhaps if we open the Church for the 2002 scheme I can arrange to have more organ playing and invite my friends from the Kent County Organists. The Parish Church had live music too.

I have been practising two of Elvis's lyrics, "Love me tender" and "Can't help falling in love" and they sound most lyrical on the organ. It has been good to have longer spells practising the organ.

God bless, Vicky Shepherd.

# Services in our Benefice

### 5th August 8th Sunday after Trinity

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	Colos	ssians 3. 1 - 1	1, Luke 12. 13 - 21
	Ospringe	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	Eastling	10am	Holy Communion (CW)
	Ospringe	11am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	Whitehill Chapel	10.40am	Sunday School + 9's-13's
	Whitehill Chapel	11am	Family Service
	Otterden	3pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)
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### Tuesday 7th August

**Communion Service** 

Whitehill Chapel 2.15pm

#### 12th August 9th Sunday after Trinity

Hebrev	vs 11. 1 - 3	3, 8 - 16, Luke 12. 32 - 40
Eastling	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield	10am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Ospringe	11am	Holy Communion (CW)

### 19th August 10th Sunday after Trinity

Hebrews 11.29 - 12.2, Luke 12. 49 - 56		
Ospringe	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10am	Holy Communion (CW)
Stalisfield	10am	Holy Communion (CW)
Ospringe	11am	Toys and Treasures Family
		Service with Baptism

#### 26th August 11th Sunday after Trinity

Hebre	ews 12. 18 - 29	9, Luke 13. 10 - 17
Stalisfield	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10am	Family Service
Ospringe	11am	Holy Communion (CW)
Whitehill Chapel	11am	People's Choice

#### 2nd September 12th Sunday after Trinity

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Hebrews	13.1 - 8,15 -	16, Luke 14. 1, 7 - 14
Ospringe	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10am	Holy Communion (CW)
Ospringe	11am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Whitehill Chapel	10.40am	Sunday School + 9's-13's
Whitehill Chapel	11am	Family Service
Otterden	3pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)

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## From the Registers

#### **Baptism**

24th June 2001 at Stalisfield EDWARD HARRIS Curling

#### **Funerals**

11th July 2001 Funeral at Ospringe followed by Cremation at Vinters Park Dorothy ALLEN

# Sharing Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in	Reverend Penny Fe	nton (01795 536366)
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Charge	9 Brogdale Road, Fa	
Curate	Reverend Patricia P	ollard (01795 535407)
(N.S.M.)	7 Arthur Salmon Cle	ose, Faversham.
Reader	Mr Hugh Perks	(01795 890603)
	Weald Cottage, Kett	le Hill Road, Eastling
Reader in	Mr Norman Fowler	(01795 890412)
Training	4 Meesons Close, E	astling
Churchward	ens	
Ospringe	Mr N. Pollard.	(01795 535407)
	Mr G. Shepherd	
Eastling	Mr N. Fowler	(01795 890412)
-	Mrs A. Cheeseman	(01795 890629)
Stalisfield	Mrs J.West	(01795 890285)
	Mrs H. Galer	(01795 890780)

#### Contacting the Church's staff

For general enquiries and for specific enquiries about Baptisms and Weddings, please telephone Faversham 536366. If you would like the parish clergy to conduct a funeral, either in our churches or elsewhere, please ask the funeral director to make the necessary arrangements.

#### FROM THE EDITOR

#### For September issue:

If you would like to advertise in this magazine or submit articles, features or stories for publication, or would like any forthcoming events publicised, please send your magazine contribution by the 15th August to Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling, ME13 0BA, 01795 890338 ( e-mail: mharlow@talk21.com)

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#### Diary

2nd Afternoon Club 4th Garden Party 10th 8 - 12 Club (Crafts) 12th Village Fete 13th Gardeners' Club 15th Deadline for September Good News 16th Afternoon Club 19th Toys & Treasures Service 21st W.I. Garden Meeting 24th 8 - 12 Club Barbeque 28th Magazine folding 30th Afternoon Club 31st Coffee Morning SEPTEMBER 2nd Tea & Cakes 5th Ospringe Parish Council 7th Mothers' Union Service 10th Eastling Parish Council 15th Entertainment Night 15th Harvest Supper **OCTOBER** 13th Harvest Supper

August 2001 2pm Champion Hall 2pm Perry Court 6.15pm Champion Hall 2pm Lorenden Meadow 7.15pm Brogdale Road 2pm Champion Hall 11am Ospringe Church 2.15pm 6.15pm Huda 2pm Usual Venues 2pm Champion Hall 10.30am Beechfield House 2 - 6pm Pinks Farm, Eastling 7.30pm Champion Hall 2.30pm Ospringe Church 8pm Village Hall 7pm Champion Hall

# 7.30pm Eastling Village Hall

7.30pm Champion Hall

#### **Eastling Parish Council**

**Clerk Appointment** 

New Noticeboard

recently vandalised. It was

considered that any new

design should include shatter-

proof plastics glazing and

timber construction would be

more visually appropriate to

the board's location in the

village conservation area.

#### Village Green

At their meeting on Monday, 9 July, Eastling Parish Councillors agreed to a suggestion by the small working party for a new village green that villagers views on the location and facilities for an open area at Eastling should be sought in a "referendum", in mid or late September.

#### Local Roads

Growing concern at the serious deterioration of the road surface in Mill Lane, the "back-road" between Otterden Road and Kettle Hill, has again been drawn to the attention of the Swale Highways Unit. Eastling Parish Councillors consider that the numerous potholes, especially those in the lower part of the Jackson's Hill section, represent a serious hazard to cyclists. There are also worries about substantial erosion of the road side bank on the section of Kettle Hill Road to the east of Rose Cottage. Road engineers have advised that they hope to carry out works to stabilise the bank during the school summer holiday period.

#### Next Meeting

The next meeting of Eastling Parish Council will be in Eastling Village Hall on Monday, 10 September at 8pm. Guest speaker will be Ms Leslie Hunt, Parish Liaison Officer for Swale Police Division.

# **EDMED COAL** SUMMER PRICES START 1st JULY

<b>OPEN FIRES</b>	MULTI FUEL BURNERS/			
HOUSE COAL	8.50 COOKERS/ROOMHEATERS			
LARGE COAL	9.00	<b>BOILERS</b>		
COALITE	12.35	COKE	10.40	
NEWFLAME	11.10	Anth. STOVE NUTS	10.70	
HOMEFIRE	12.40	SUPACITE (eggs)	11.40	
<b>GRAVITY FED</b>		NEWFLAME	11.10	
<b>BOILERS</b>		COALITE	12.35	
Anth. BEANS/PEAS	10.60	MAXIBRITE	10.00	

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Eastling Parish Council is looking for a clerk. The present clerk, Mrs Sue Parry, agreed to take on the role on a "temporary" basis over 14 months ago but has said other commitments will make it difficult to continue after the end of 2001. Parish Council chairman Mr Harold Wyld said that the Parish Council would like to hear from anyone interested in this vital role. They could contact either himself on (01795) 890413 or Mrs Parry on (01795) 890254. Eastling Parish Councillors have agreed that, subject to obtaining a grant from Swale Council, a replacement timber framed noticeboard should be installed at the junction of the Church path and The Street. The existing noticeboard was

#### Ospringe-in-Bloom 2001 Competition

The judging for the competition took place on 21st and 22nd July. It was good to see so many entries in the various catorgories.

The Presentation Evening will be held on 19th September in the Champion Hall.

#### Minor Authority Governor

The Parish Council is seeking nominations for a Minor Authority Governor for Ospringe School. Anyone interested should contact the clerk for further details.

#### Next meeting

The next meeting of **Ospringe Parish Council** will be held on Wednesday, 5th September 2001 at 7.30pm in Whitehill Chapel, Painters Forstal. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Parish notice board and Ospringe Church notice board.

Jill Seaman Clerk to the Council, 01795 890519

#### **Belmont** Estate **Countryside Stewardship Scheme**

The Belmont Estate entered into the Countryside Stewardship Scheme in October 2000. This is a ten-year grant aided scheme that aims to conserve and enhance the landscape, improve and extend wildlife habitats and protect historic landscape features. Over the next ten years a carefully planned work programme will be implemented to meet these objectives.

This year the Estate has fenced in several fields with the aim of reverting the arable land back to permanent grassland to help recreate extensively managed chalk grassland. This grassland will no longer receive any chemical inputs will be managed by cutting and grazing. The aim is create a sward with a wide range of grasses and flowers characteristic to the chalk downland of this area.

Grass margins have now been established around many of the

> arable field on the Estate. The aim is to encourage a variety of arable wildflowers and grasses and so encourage birds, mammals and insects. They also allow different habitats to be linked and help to protect adjoining habitats and features of nature conservation value from agricultural operations. These margins have been created for the value of the wildlife and are not to be used as rights of way.

There is a network of public footpaths and bridleways on the Estate, which are there to be enjoyed. However, it should be remembered that you should not deviate from the designated paths, gates should always be closed and litter should be the only thing that you take home with you.

A number of new hedges have been planted this winter and some restoration work has been carried out on existing hedgerows. Several groups of trees have been planted to screen farm buildings and so reduce their visual impact on the landscape.

A variety of traditional fruit trees are going to be replanted at Town Place Orchard where the emphasis will be on the preservation of the older fruit varieties. A small car parking area will be provided to encourage visitors to explore an example of a traditional mixed orchard.

The next ten years will see a number of other improvements on the Estate with the creation of new habitats and the enhancement of existing features. This in turn will hopefully provide further enjoyment of the countryside for all.

### **Ospringe School Association News**

#### Another busy month.

The annual Strawberry tea Saturday 30th June was attended by over 70 elderly friends and ex pupils of Ospringe School. A buffet tea (with strawberries and cream of course) was eaten to the accompaniment of music from Ian Page & Ted Bowers; singing from the school choir; and a dance display by Alice Inge (an Ospringe pupil) and her partner. On Wednesday 4th July the children held their very own 'mini-fete'. Stalls and activities were organised and run by the children themselves in order to raise money for charity. This year the charities chosen were Demelza House and Royal Marsden Hospital and the grand sum of £334 was raised. The

following week Year 6 and the choir put on a performance of Alice in Wonderland. Excellent singing and stunning costumes made for a brilliant production. Term ended with the leaver's barbecue and disco.

At the end of term a sad farewell was said to Mrs Lipscombe who has been a teacher at Ospringe for many years. She has been a very active supporter of the OSA and we will all miss her, as will the many children she has taught. We wish her all the very best in her a new school in Rochester.

We wish everyone a very happy holiday. In case you need reminding School starts again on 6th September. Jill Fagg.

Having a Party? **Planning a Wedding?** Venue for your Club ..... Hall and smaller rooms available with kitchen facilities at **Eastling Village Hall.** For more information please contact Mary Eagleton on 890436.

The summer term is now coming to an end after a very busy year. We have said a sad farewell to Mrs Bradley of Class 2 and look forward to welcoming her replacement Ms Nicola Payne, and Mrs Clare Mansfield in Class 1.

The Treasure Hunt was enjoyed by everyone. It was a lovely sunny day and a swim in the pool was very refreshing afterwards. Lots of people give a great deal of their time maintaining and running the pool so that the children can enjoy swimming during the summer months. The people who should especially be thanked are Vicky Clinch, John Shrubsall, Philippa Amos, Gilly Freed, Barry Dewey, Gary Linch, Colin McKay and the others who also help out. The pool will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm during the school holidays, at a cost of 50p per child.

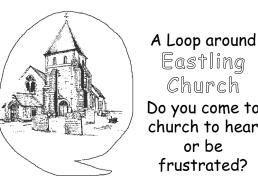
Children will not be al-

Friends of Eastling School

Foray. We will meet at school and then following the guidance of Professor John Mansfield of Imperial College, Wye, there will be a walk in the area searching for and identifying mushrooms and toadstools. This will be followed by refreshments in the school hall. The price will be £3.50 (adults) & £1.50 (children).

The next FOES article will be in the October issue, so we wish you all a happy and, hopefully, sunny Summer holiday. Celia Hamilton-Jones.

**STOP PRESS** >>> Thanks to everyone who helped, attended, spent money and enjoyed the Summer Fete we raised £2080!



Eastling Church Do you come to church to hear or be

frustrated?

The installation of a hearing loop will allow anyone with a hearing aid to hear the whole service clearly.

The cost is not vast, so anything you can donate will help. To help the fund, please come to Pinks Farm, Eastling, for Tea and Cakes on Sunday 2nd September between 2 and 6pm. More details from 890338.

The Champion Hall Painter's Forstal The hall can be booked for parties and group meetings. Ring 01795 532756 to enquire about terms.

#### **Eastling Cherries** (Eastling Shortmat Bowls Club)

Meets every Friday, afternoon 2.30-4.30pm and evening 7.30-9.30pm in the Village Hall all through the summer. New members welcome, just come along with a pair of flat-soled shoes, all other equipment is provided. Phone 890412 or 537162 for more details.

#### **OSPRINGE CHURCH** 200 Club

You contribute £1 a month for at least one year and you could win a prize in our monthly draw. Contact Carol or Stuart Marshall on 537873 for more details. The winning numbers for the 16th draw in July were: 1st - 8, 2nd 41, 3rd - 6.

#### The Trustees invite you to a HARVEST SUPPER

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in Eastling Village Hall on Saturday 15th September 7.30 - 11.30pm In aid of Village Hall funds 3 Course meal and fun, bring your own drinks and glasses

everything else provided.

Tickets £7.00 each: Tel: 01795 890254





# Entertainment Night

Event

in the Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal Saturday 15th September at 7pm. Light Refreshments. If you have an act to perform, please contact Bobbie on 532756.

### EASTLING & PAINTER'S FORSTAL PLAYGROUP

Thank you for your support at the end of term Open Mornings - the sale of refreshments and books raised enough money to purchase new paints and paper for next term. Autumn Term will commence on Thursday 6th September at the usual time of 9.30am. We have a few vacancies at both venues for children aged two and a half to five years. Please phone for details. Happy Holidays!! Jill Seaman, 01795 890519.

> **Painter's Forstal** with Ospringe W.I.

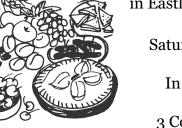
The August meeting on Tuesday 21st will be a Garden Meeting.

More details from Mrs Clarke on 533756.



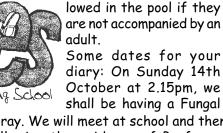
Safari Success

Members of Eastling Horticultural Society have voted a "gardens safari" and social evening held in Eastling on Thursday, 12 July, a success. Starting with a tour of the garden at "Seven Acres" in Newnham Lane at 7pm, members then visited gardens at "Cherry Tree House" and "Briar Cottage", also in Newnham Lane, and "Forge House" in The Street.



# **Painter's Forstal** HARVEST SUPPER October 13th at 7.30pm

in Champion Hall. More details next month.





**Ospringe Church Social Activities** 

#### Garden Party ~~~~ August 4th at Perry Court

by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Curling. 2pm - 4.30pm.

Items for the various stalls would be most welcome. Plants, cakes, bric-a-brac, bottles, books and raffle prizes.

Cup of tea available. Please come and support us and find the bargains. Proceeds to Ospringe Church.

#### Coffee Morning ~~~~ August 31st

at Beechfield House by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Saffrey 10.30am - 12 o'clock.

Bring and Buy Stall, Cake Stall, Raffle. Proceeds to Ospringe Church. Articles for stalls at either event can be left at 147 Athelstan Road. Tel: 534528. 🚦



Come and meet, or bring a friend.

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#### Afternoon Club

Activities for August :-2nd Board Games 16th Bingo 30th Board Games 2pm in the Champion Hall Rodney French

### **Painter's Forstal Gardeners'** Club

The meeting for August is on Monday 13th, 7.15pm: An Evening Visit to 'April

> Cottage' and 'Ouden', both in Brogdale Road, by kind invitation of Mr Peter Reid and Mrs Frances Boughton. (Balloons will be on the gate).

Further details from Fav. 533608.

## **Eastling Horticultural Society**

#### Next Meeting

As in previous years, the Horticultural Society will not be meeting during August. The next event is a crucial Extraordinary Meeting of the Society on Thursday, 13 September at 8pm in Eastling Village Hall. Falling numbers at monthly meetings means that Members and anyone else interested in the future of the Society must attend and make their views known. The old adage "use it - or lose it" could hardly be more appropriate!