

## Eastling flies the Green Flag

Eastling Primary School has recently been re-awarded the "Green flag" award as one of the countries leading eco-schools. Eco-Schools is an international award programme that guides schools on their sustainable journey, providing a simple framework to help make sustainability an integral part of school life. It helps enhance the curriculum and get the whole school united behind something important.

Within the UK, of 24,372 schools, only 1768 have achieved the "Green Flag standard which makes Eastling one of the top 7% to show its commitment to environmental care.

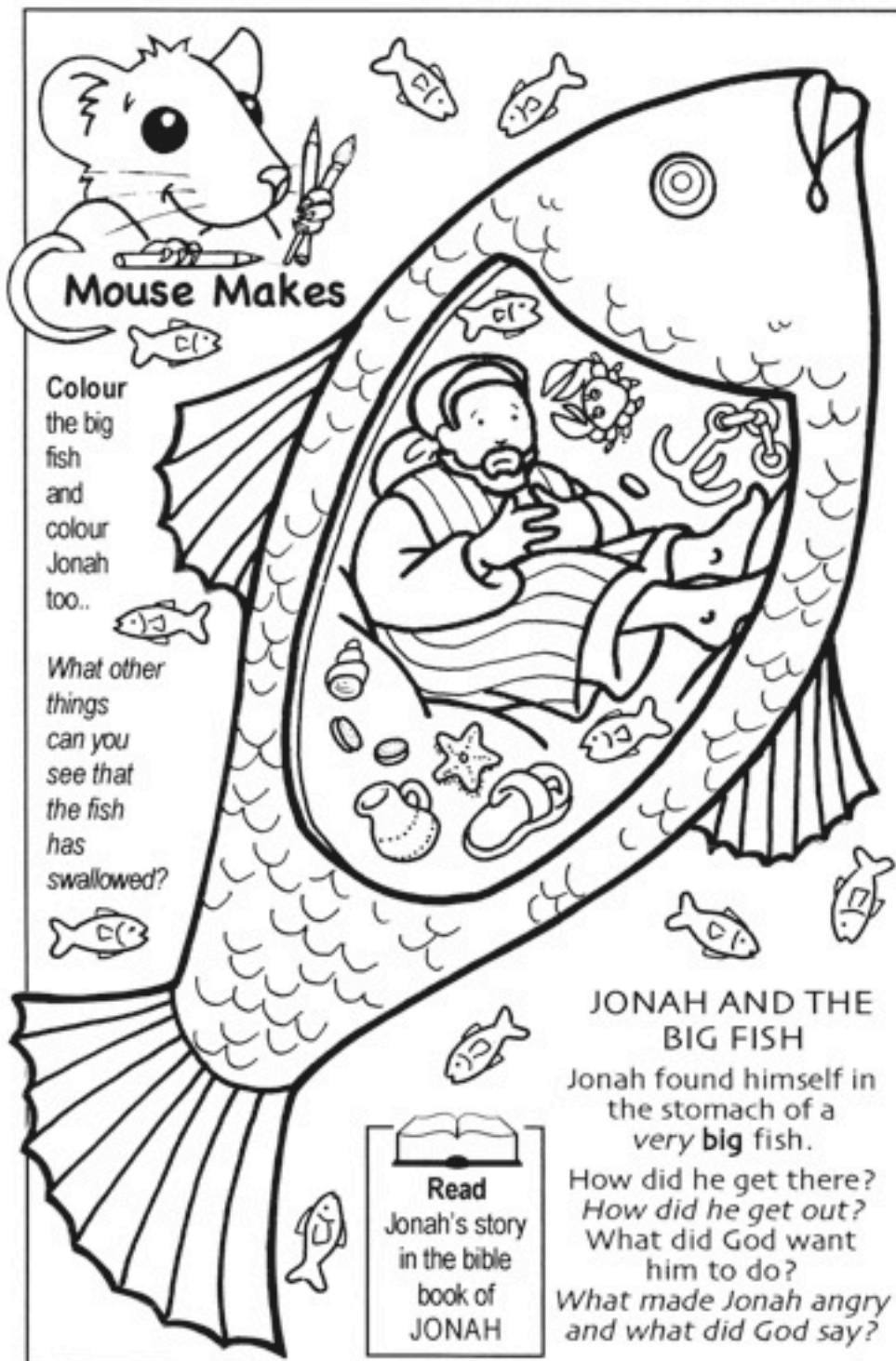
The award was given to the school by Tom Hawkins, the Canterbury Foreshore Manager on one of the school's regular field trips into the community. He congratulated the school on their achievement, maintaining this standard for six years, and praised the children for their efforts across the community including the beach clean up and rock pool discovery session that they were involved with at the Reculver Country Park.

Pupils are the driving force behind Eco-Schools at Eastling - they form and lead an Eco-Committee and help to carry out an audit to assess the environmental performance of the school. In conjunction with the rest of the school and the wider community, it's the pupils that decide the environmental themes they want to address and how they're going to do it. This has included redevelopment of the school's pond area along with community volunteers as well as work with the Heritage Trees group, Canterbury Country Parks and the Woodlands Trust.

Mr Walsh, the Headteacher of the school, explained that the Eco-award was a valuable one to the school and its pupils and one that all the children had been thoroughly committed to. On the assessment visit, our assessor noted that "The children were very knowledgeable about the importance of the review and how it fed into the action plan. They are enthusiastic about their school grounds and have plenty of ideas about how the developments such as the new picnic area can be managed. There is no doubt that the Eco-Schools programme in this school is child led - well done"

The assessor was particularly taken by the pupil's video "eco-code" that they had created and insisted she see on the school web site ([www.Eastling.Kent.sch.uk](http://www.Eastling.Kent.sch.uk))

Mrs Mansfield, the school's Eco coordinator concluded "Undertaking the Eco-Schools programme is a long term journey and it took some time for us to implement the different elements of the framework whilst engaging our staff, students and community. We think it is a journey well worth taking though "



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## Good News

### Parish Magazine

August 2013



### Fête

on Stalisfield Green  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August  
2pm

Faversham Air Cadets Band  
Water Sports \* Barbeque  
Games of skill and chance  
Stalls loaded with hidden  
treasure, produce,  
books and more.

W.I. Teas and refreshments  
**Fun for all the family**  
Free entry

### Out of the Depths

a true story by Megan Carter

"John was seven years old when his mother died, and eleven when his father took him to sea. John soon became a hardened blaspheming seaman, and slave trading became a way of life. One day a tremendous storm arose. John in fear calling to God for mercy was miraculously saved from the deep. So chastened and reformed was John that on his return to England he gave his life to God, becoming ordained in the Church of England and a curate in 1764. He joined forces with William Wilberforce campaigning for the abolition of slavery. This is John Newton's testimony."

John Newton wrote:

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now I'm found;  
Was blind but now I see.

### Charity Fundraising Event for Cancer Research UK, in the garden at Eastling Manor.

We are holding an event to raise  
money for Cancer Research UK on  
Saturday 3rd August, 2013,  
4.30pm onwards.

Tickets are 12 pounds per head which  
includes food and entertainment.  
Unfortunately, dates have clashed with  
an important village birthday  
celebration, but if you would like to  
support the event or would like to  
make a donation, please contact Bay:  
[baylees@mac.com](mailto:baylees@mac.com) or 01795  
892036



### The Bees

Aha! We hear a well-known hum  
The bees about their business come  
Always active, hour by hour  
As they attend each open flower.

Flowers blue, and flowers gold  
Each their pollen cargo hold  
And tempt the bees about their beat  
With summer scents, and nectar sweet.

In country fields or garden beds  
Unto the bees they bow their heads  
As we look on, enthralled to see  
Insect and plant in harmony.

By Nigel Beeton



Another of the Church Warden's  
money-raising wheezes, I see.



The Right Reverend Trevor  
Willmott, Bishop of Dover,  
with Reverend Canon Donald  
Lawton after the Licensing  
service in Eastling church on  
24th July.

Canon Lawton, and his wife  
Norma, have recently arrived  
from Nova Scotia, Canada and  
will live in The Rectory at  
Eastling.

The news magazine for the parishes of Eastling, Stalisfield with Otterden, and Throwley

Norma and I have had a few moves to our credit. Once it was a trip across Canada from Ontario to the Yukon Territory. From my experience in northern Quebec, we were prepared for early May cool mornings and evenings in the wilderness of north western Ontario and in the Yukon, but not for the blistering hot Prairies in mid May. Another time we had left the temperate seaside climate of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and arrived in Manitoba three weeks before our married quarters were ready. It was a hot July and we had to stay in our caravan in a dry dusty campground.

This time as we travelled to come here, we took a holiday in Iceland and enjoyed a temperate climate with sun, rain and chill, travelling in coats or sweaters in the morning and evenings and shirt sleeves in the middle of the day. And then we arrived here in the midst of a hot July heat wave. But this time we have had the clothing to meet the weather comfortably.

In all of our travels, we have been fortunate to be well received and welcomed. The welcome we have received here has been amazing, warm and generous. Thank you all very much for all that you have done to make us comfortable.

## Message for the Month

In all of our various ministries, Norma and I have sought the experience of God's presence and power. We have been inspired by the impact that Christ's presence has on the lives of people and communities. I believe that our role as Christians is to bring the presence of Christ into the everyday situations of our lives.

We are often concerned and dissatisfied with what is happening in the world around us. So was Jesus! He saw how people focused on themselves and on what was convenient. The story of the unfortunate mugging victim and the people who passed him by, the parable of the Good Samaritan, Luke 10:25-37, is part of our Christian foundation. In it Jesus challenged people to be present with those in need.

Our Primate, Archbishop Justin Welby, has expressed his concerns about the payday loan business and their 5000% annual interest. He is encouraging the Church to use our talents and resources to provide

ethical financial support to ordinary people. It was out of this sort of concern in the 1920's in Nova Scotia, that the Antigonish Movement worked with the poor miners and fishermen of rural Nova Scotia. Education and economic self help programs started credit unions and co-op stores that brought financial independence to people who had been under the power of company stores and controlling merchants.

With this kind of model, we can become involved in bringing Christ and His standards into the world which frustrates and even appalls us. We don't have to be satisfied with complaining about our frustrations. We can begin by praying a simple prayer, "Lord, I am concerned about a particular situation. Help me to know your will in this so that I may work with you to make the world a better place. Thank you, Lord, for caring for me and for the world in which I live. Amen."

Revd. Canon Donald J. Lawton

## Archbishop Justin meets Pope Francis in Rome

In their recent first meeting, Archbishop Justin and Pope Francis both spoke of the bonds of "friendship" and "love" between the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion.

The Archbishop and the Pope agreed on the need to build an economic system which promotes "the common good" to help those suffering in poverty. Archbishop Justin said that Christians must reflect "the self-giving love of Christ" by offering love and hospitality to the poor, and "love above all those tossed aside" by present crises around the world. The Pope said those with the least in society "must not be abandoned to the laws of an economy that seems at times to treat people as mere consumers".

They also agreed on the need for Christians to act as peacemakers around the world, which they acknowledged could only be done if Christians "live and and work together in harmony," the Pope said.



Archbishop Justin, who has been deeply influenced by Catholic social teaching and intends to focus on healing divisions in church and society as part of his ministry, told the Pope: "I pray that the nearness of our two inaugurations may serve the reconciliation of the world and the Church."

The Pope, who said their closeness of their inaugurations meant "we will always have a particular reason to support one another in prayer", said the meeting was an opportunity to remember that the search for unity among Christians is not prompted by practical considerations, but by Christ, "who made us his brothers and sisters, children of the One Father."

## THE WAY I SEE IT: Don't just stand there, do nothing!

August is, of course, the great holiday month in Britain. Families, constrained by the school holidays, pay over the odds to arrange a week or two at the seaside or on a Mediterranean beach. Older people and singles breathe a sigh of relief as it seems that half the population has decamped elsewhere and they've got the park, shops and golf course to themselves. Either way, it's a change of routine, a break from the relentless round of the everyday.

August, whatever else we may think of it, is different.

We call it a 'holiday' month, or perhaps more accurately a month of holidays. That word is important, because obviously it was once 'holy days', the whole idea of stipulated days of rest being a religious invention. It started with the Jewish 'Sabbath', the seventh day of the week - the one when the Creator, in the biblical story, 'rested' from his work of bringing everything into existence. As a consequence, it was decreed that the seventh day of the week should be a universal day of rest, when human toil was suspended (even for slaves), animals were set free from their daily labour in field or treadmill, and for that precious twenty-four hours there would be space and time to be ourselves.

Jesus said that the 'Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath' - it was never meant to be an irksome burden, but a blessing. It took the ingenuity of religious heresy hunters to turn that glorious opportunity into an impenetrable code of rules. But the principle survived. Most cultures have followed the Jewish example of a

weekly day of rest, including of course the Christian translation of the Sabbath to Sunday, the day of the resurrection. There followed, over the long centuries of Christian history, the introduction of many other holy days, to commemorate the saints, or particular events in the life of Jesus - Christmas, Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost and so on. Holy days, like the original Sabbath, gave people time and space to be themselves, to think and pray, to enjoy family and friends and to give thanks to the God who invented the whole idea.

All of this may seem a long way from the modern package holiday, or indeed Sunday as people now experience it in the aisles of IKEA rather than an ancient church. But it doesn't have to be. Wherever we go this month and whatever we do, space and time are likely to be under less pressure than during the other eleven months of the year. It is up to us how we use them, of course, but rest, reflection, meditation and prayer have proven healing qualities. Turning part of our holidays into holy days will probably lower our blood pressure and raise our spirits. Well, it's surely worth a try!

By David Winter

## Eastling Neighbourhood Watch



Village Warden 07794 010394

or 01795 890848

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Swale Police 101 Emergency 999

A shed was broken in the rear of a house at North Court Farm and some valuable items were stolen including an expensive chainsaw. The police are investigating and should anyone have any information on this please advise the police or give me a call.

There have been callers in the village suggesting that as they have some tarmac over from a previous job they could resurface your drive, whilst I am not saying they are not genuine I would suggest that you think very carefully about employing them, if you are not sure please call.

Please make sure that you clear up after your dog(s) as the dry weather has increased the chances of disease being transmitted not only to your animal but to humans as well.

With the advent of the school holidays please be more aware as you drive in the village as the youngsters will be more about.

Have a good month  
Take care, Alan

## Detling Summer Celebration

10th-15th August 2013,  
Kent Showground, Detling

A holiday gathering for the whole family with refreshing worship, Bible teaching and practical seminars and clubs for children and young people. Speakers include Malcolm Duncan, Debra Green, Rob Parsons, Patrick Regan and many more. Plus there's great entertainment and space to relax. This year's theme is how to be God's bold people, sharing His love with our communities. Stay for the week or visit for a day. Find out more: [www.peoplewithoutlimits.org.uk](http://www.peoplewithoutlimits.org.uk) [admin@peoplewithoutlimits.org.uk](mailto:admin@peoplewithoutlimits.org.uk) 01622 620830.

## Prayer

## Pointers

### August 2013



Sundays	For Donald, as he takes up his work in our Benefice, and for Norma.
Mondays	For peace in places of unrest and violence.
Tuesdays	For those on holiday; that they may be refreshed.
Wednesdays	Young people preparing for new schools and colleges.
Thursdays	That the harvest may be bountiful.
Fridays	For those who are sick, especially those known to us.
Saturdays	Thanks for those who have worked tirelessly during the interregnum.



## EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council held the AGM on 23rd May 2013. All Councillors were willing to remain on the PC for another year. Cllr West was elected as Chairman and Cllr Cheeseman elected as Treasurer.

The Parish Council also met on 10th July, when councillors were concerned about the withdrawal of the Police Rural Team. A letter has been sent to the Police Commissioner about this.

The poor state of the roads was raised again and it is hoped that urgent repairs would be carried out soon.

Recent Planning Applications had been approved by Swale Borough Council.

The next meeting of Eastling Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 11th September at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall. Residents are always welcome to attend any meeting.

Jill Seaman, Clerk to the Council  
[mick\\_seaman@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mick_seaman@yahoo.co.uk)

## Eastling Church August 2013 Flower Rota

4th Nerys Condrup  
11th & 18th Julia Bailey and  
Joan Thomas  
25th & 1st Sept Janet Bryant

## Services in our Churches

### 4th August Trinity 10

Hosea 11. 1 - 11, Colossians 3. 1 - 11, Luke 12. 13 - 21  
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
 Otterden 3 pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

### 11th August Trinity 11

Isaiah 1. 1, 10 - 20, Hebrews 11. 1 - 4, 8 - 16, Luke 12. 32 - 40  
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
 Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

### 18th August Trinity 12

Isaiah 5. 1 - 7, Hebrews 11. 29 - 12. 2, Luke 12. 49 - 56  
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)  
 Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

### 25th August Trinity 13

Jeremiah 1. 4 - 10, Hebrews 12. 18 - end, Luke 13. 10 - 17  
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
 Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (BCP)

### 1st September Trinity 14

Jeremiah 2. 4 - 13, Hebrews 13. 1 - 8, 15 - 16, Luke 14. 1, 7 - 14  
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
 Otterden 3 pm Harvest Evening Prayer

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 (BCP) Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1662.  
 (CW) Service follows Common Worship Liturgy, 2000.

### Ride and Stride

Saturday 14th September, between 10am and 6pm  
 Our village churches have benefited in the past by grants from Friends of Kent Churches - here is how you can help for the future.

Riders and walkers receive sponsorship and 50% goes to the church or chapel of their choice, with the rest going to the Friends of Kent Churches, who use it to help the most needy churches and chapels in the county. There are a huge number of churches participating in Kent and now is the time to get sponsored. For more details of how to get involved, and for a full list of churches which will be open on the day go to [http://friendsofkentchurches.co.uk/bike\\_ride.php](http://friendsofkentchurches.co.uk/bike_ride.php) or ask your churchwarden.



## Ministry in our Parishes

Priest of the Parishes Revd Canon Donald J. Lawton (01795 890487)  
 The Rectory, Newham Lane, Eastling ME13 0AS

Non Stipendiary Minister with Permission To Officiate  
 Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)  
 New House Farm, Eastling ME13 0BN

Reader Norman Fowler (01795 890412)  
 4 Meesons Close, Eastling

Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)  
 Weald Cottage, Eastling

### Churchwardens

**Eastling** Steve Youle (01795 890368)  
 Audrey Smith (01795 890469)

**Parish Administrator**  
 Janet Payne (01795 890487)  
 E mail: eastlingchurch@gmail.com

**Stalisfield with Otterden**  
 Jean West (01233 712270)  
 Gillian Wallace (01233 714904)

**Parish Administrator**  
 Sheila Moger (01233 713212)  
 E mail samhawksnest@aol.com

**Throwley** Barbara Elliott (01795 890020)  
 Maggie Scutt (01795 890312)

### From the Registers

**Baptism**  
 Ty Luke Stainer  
 29th June 2013 at Eastling

**Wedding**  
 Eleanor Bursey and Alex Verner  
 13th July 2013 at Stalisfield

### Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: monthly Study Group - 10am on 20th August  
 at Garden Cottage, Newham Lane.

Tuesdays: weekly Study Group 7.30pm Pinks Farm

Thursdays: Benefice Prayer Group 10.30am Pinks Farm  
 on 1st August and 5th September. Weekly group takes a  
 break during the rest of August.

*You will be welcome at any of our groups.*

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 Trust in the Lord with all your heart;  
 do not depend on your own understanding.  
 Seek his will in all you do,  
 and he will show you which path to take.  
 Proverbs 3. 5-6



Next in business was T. Ayliff from Langley, setting up a shop and general store by 1915. He sold animal feeds and garden sundries. A taxi service was in operation running a car from Warren Street to Maidstone for 2/6d return. A carrier service was available also Teas and refreshments were sold. A public phone kiosk was installed.



Mr Smith took over the Handy Shop and Post Office later, selling all manner of goods, groceries and men's working clothes. He was in business until the late 1960s.

### National Blood Donation Service



Blood donors do an amazing thing when they give blood. Without donors, many patients simply would not be alive today. 'Give Blood' supplies hospitals with around 7,000 units of blood a day. To continue to meet that demand, 200,000 new donors are needed every year. Each unit of blood (or armful, if you are old enough to remember the Tony Hancock sketch) is split into its constituent parts, and can save up to three lives.

### CAN YOU HELP?

There are regular blood donating sessions in the Alexander Centre, Faversham.

Visit [www.blood.co.uk](http://www.blood.co.uk)  
 or call 0300 123 23 23 for further details.  
 The minimum age for blood donation is 17 years.



## People and Places from the Past

by Dorothy Murray

The 'Handy Shop' at Warren Street has been through several changes. In 1890 it was the local Forge. The Blacksmith was William Sprinton. This photo, taken in 1890, was entitled 'The Corner of the Parish' being Wychling, Otterden and Lenham. A Tett root drill is being repaired, made and sold previously by Henry S. Tett of Faversham. As well as shoeing horses, the blacksmith would repair horse drawn farm implements which had worn out on stoney ground. The original forge floor still existed in the 1970s.



### Snod Farm Success

Julia and David Murray are renowned for their free range pork and turkeys as well as their shorthorn beef, but it was their Romney sheep that claimed success for the farm at this year's Kent Show.

The family returned home as Romney Champions with four cups: Osmond Horne



Cup for Best Romney, Ashford Jubilee Cup for best Romney Ram, Redlands Aggregate Challenge Cup for most points for winning in the Romney Classes, David Roberts Memorial Cup for best Group of 3 Romney's. Son Matthew, who has his own flock of Romney's, won a cup for best Novice showing.

**BELMONT HOUSE  
& GARDENS  
EVENTS**



**OPEN WEDNESDAY**

Every Wednesday throughout August,  
11.00am and 1.00pm

Following the success of 'open Wednesdays' in 2012 we are once again welcoming visitors mid-week for one month only. There will be guided tours at 11.00am and 1.00pm on each Wednesday throughout August.

Our tearoom will also be open tempting you with our mouth-watering homemade cake and afternoon tea from 1.30pm (August Wednesdays only).

House Tours: Adult £8.00, Concession £7.00 and Children £5.00

**MEET THE HEAD GARDENER**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August, 11.00am - 1.00pm

Graeme Watts, the Head Gardener at Belmont, will host a tour around our beautiful gardens. The tour will commence with coffee and an introduction in the Orangery and is expected to last 2 hours.

Adult £5.00, Concession £4.00

**COUNTRY FAIR**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2013, 10.00am - 5.00pm

The Belmont Country Fair is a great family day out with a special unique atmosphere and a wide variety of activities for everyone interested in country life including falconry, ferret racing, terrier racing, shire horse display, 'have a go archery', pet dog show, children's entertainers and, of course, great shopping and locally produced food!

Adults £6 / Children under 16 free!  
The House will be closed this day.

**Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley,  
Nr Faversham, Kent ME13 0HH**

Tel: 01795 890202  
www.belmont-house.org

**Childminder**

**or suitable carer required**

- - for two happy, healthy siblings attending Eastling Primary School. Collecting from school daily at either 3:20 or 4:30 (depending on days with After School Club) and keeping entertained and fed until Mummy or Daddy get home (around 5:30 - 6:00pm) during term time only. Children's safety and wellbeing is paramount - must be either Ofsted Registered and / or reputable, trustworthy and with excellent references. Children can either be brought back to our family home and looked after there, or taken to home of carer (depending on location & logistics).
- Please contact 07799 065590 for more details.



**THROWLEY VILLAGE PICNIC**

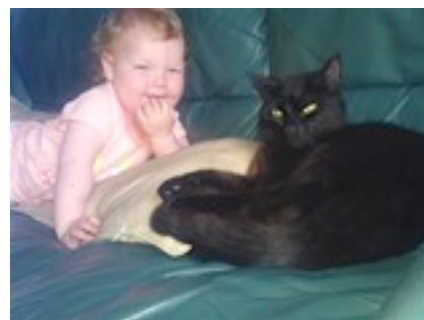
The Throwley village picnic in the Belmont walled garden on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July was organised by Laurie Evanson-Goddard, with the support of the Throwley Events Association and the Trustees of the Harris (Belmont) Charity. The Belmont Administrator had kindly provided a large marquee in the picturesque surroundings of the walled garden. The Phoenix Traditional Jazz Band complemented the sunny Sunday afternoon atmosphere beautifully. Many Throwley villagers came over despite Wimbledon finals on the same afternoon. We all raised the toast to Andy Murray's victory and had a lot of fun.

**Painters Forstal with**

**Ospringe W.I.**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August  
GARDEN MEETING

Contact Bobbie Richards  
on 01795 532756



**Cat missing from  
Eastling**

Last seen middle of July, small black cat answers to the name Polo. He is over friendly climbing into vehicles and entering people's houses.

He belongs to my granddaughter and she misses him. If you have seen him or have him please phone 01795 892088

**LEIGH MILES  
DANCE & FITNESS**



**Eastling Village Hall**

**WEDNESDAYS**

7.00pm ZUMBA®

**THURSDAYS**

9.15am FITNESS PILATES

OTHER VENUES  
DAY & EVENING CLASSES

**FAVERSHAM TEYNHAM**

The summer break for all **ZUMBA** classes begins on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August.

ZUMBA classes resume Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept.

Last **Fitness Pilates** class is on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Fitness Pilates Classes resume Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

**For details contact**

[www.milesdanceandfitness.com](http://www.milesdanceandfitness.com)

leigh.fitness@btinternet.com

01795 890149 or 07873 431952



**Lianne runs the Race for Life.**

On a very warm Sunday morning, Lianne joined 2500 other runners, joggers and walkers for a 5km race to raise funds for Cancer research in Herne Bay. Lianne set herself the target of completing the 5km in under an hour and actually completed the 5km run in 40 minutes. Her daughter Kiera (18 months) and 9 year old brother Ryan were at the finish line with a cancer research flower to congratulate her. Lianne intends to do the same run next year but hopes to do it in a better time.

It isn't too late to donate and sponsor Lianne after the event please go to:

<http://www.raceforlifesponsor.me.org/lianneramshawsee>

Thank you and watch this space next year to if Lianne can better her time.

**Otterden and Stalisfield W.I.**

The Quiz Night a great success, thank you to everyone who joined us.

The July boat trip was really good fun. I would highly recommend it as a great day out and good value for money at £22 each. On board the Princess Pocahontas, we travelled from Gravesend Pier to Battersea and Chelsea, then back again. Seeing the sights of London from another angle, with a very funny commentary.

Next meeting, Juicing fruit and veg, is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August and on September

4<sup>th</sup> - Morris Dancing. Both

meetings start at 7.30pm in

Stalisfield village hall. new

members always welcome,

just come along or call Kim

on 01795 890691.



**FRIENDS of  
EASTLING SCHOOL**

It was great to see so many parents, friends and children at the school Fete on 14<sup>th</sup> July. Brilliant sunshine and an amazing variety of stalls, plus great music provided by Ivan

Thompson and his band ensured a successful day. Congratulations to all the winners, both in the raffle and the stall events. A total of £2760 was raised.

The Year 6 School Leavers trip to Whitstable (funded by FOES) was enjoyed in hot sunshine. The children enjoyed paddling in the sea, bowling and a fish & chip lunch. A sea weed fight rounded off a great day!!

The early evening rain before the 'Party on the Field' did not spoil the fun when lots of parents and children enjoyed a BBQ, drinks games and brilliant music from Ivan Thompson and the AllStars. We bade farewell to Linda Cook and all the school leavers.

Make a note that the FOES AGM will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the School Hall.

Jill Seaman, 01795 890252

**EASTLING VILLAGE HALL**

To book ring Julia Bailey  
on 01795 890746



A beautiful hall in a lovely village location for your wedding, club, sports or meetings. The large hall has pretty grounds, car parking, meeting rooms and fully equipped facilities for professional or self-catering occasions.

*Stalisfield Wild Life*

**Fête on the Green Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

By pulling a few strings, we have arranged for the August Bank Holiday weekend to coincide with the Stalisfield Fête. On the Green starting at 2 o'clock the Faversham Air Cadets Band will kick-start an afternoon of pleasure with children's activities, stalls loaded with produce and hidden treasure and games promising reward for luck, skill, strength or aim. Music and dance will entertain. Those inclined to water sport can elect for the stocks or for the slippery pole. The barbeque will offer fare for the robust appetite, the more delicate ones will find delight in refreshments served in the hall by the WI.

*Come join your neighbours for the Stalisfield Annual Fete. There will be lots for everyone and if your luck is in, you just might make a profit.*

**A Plea**

The local produce stall relies entirely on the donation of baked goods, preserves and garden produce from generous individuals. If you are able to contribute in any way to the success of the fête we ask you to bring your offering on the day **direct to the local produce stall**, on the green. If you are able to advise Margaret on 01233 712793 that you will be contributing, it would be a great help. We will sell at fair prices.

Goods for the white elephant stall may be left in the hall porch on preceding days or brought on the day.

We will be grateful for all the support you can offer.



1st	Benefice Prayer Group	10.30am	Pinks Farm
3rd	Cancer Research Fundraiser	4.30pm	Eastling Manor
7th	Otterden and S/field W.I.	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
15th	Deadline for September Good News		See below
20th	P. Forstal & Ospringe WI		Garden Party
20th	Monthly Study Group	10am	Garden Cottage
20th	Meet the Head Gardener	11am & 1pm	Belmont House
24th	Stalisfield Summer Fête	2pm	Stalisfield Green
27th	Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
1st	Harvest Evening Prayer	3pm	Otterden Chapel
14th	Ride and Stride	10am - 6pm	Kent Churches
15th	Country Fair	10am - 5pm	Belmont

Deadline for the **September Good News** will be 15<sup>th</sup> August  
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