

Christmas S Club



Crafts, Carols and Cakes

10am on Sunday 16th December
in Eastling Village Hall

Parents are invited too.



"For the next part of our carol-service, Nigel, the verger's nephew will play his interpretation of Silent Night..."

Violent games harm young minds
When you choose Christmas presents for any youngsters this year, beware the violence that may well be lurking inside that computer game. Psychologists have expressed their real concern at the effect that games such as 'Grand Theft Auto', 'Mortal Kombat' and 'Call of Duty: Modern Warfare' could have on youngsters – making them more prone to violence. The Association of Teachers and Lecturers is warning that violent computer games can have a really damaging effect on children, desensitising them to aggression and bloodshed. Over-exposure to screen-based entertainment also robs them of valuable time interacting with friends or playing outdoors. As one leading teacher put it: "If children are up until midnight playing violent computer games, and then come into school exhausted, not interacting with their children, that is not good preparation for school, and not good preparation for life."

Youth Club

Due to low numbers & the dark evenings Youth Club has decided to close for the Winter & open again in the Spring.

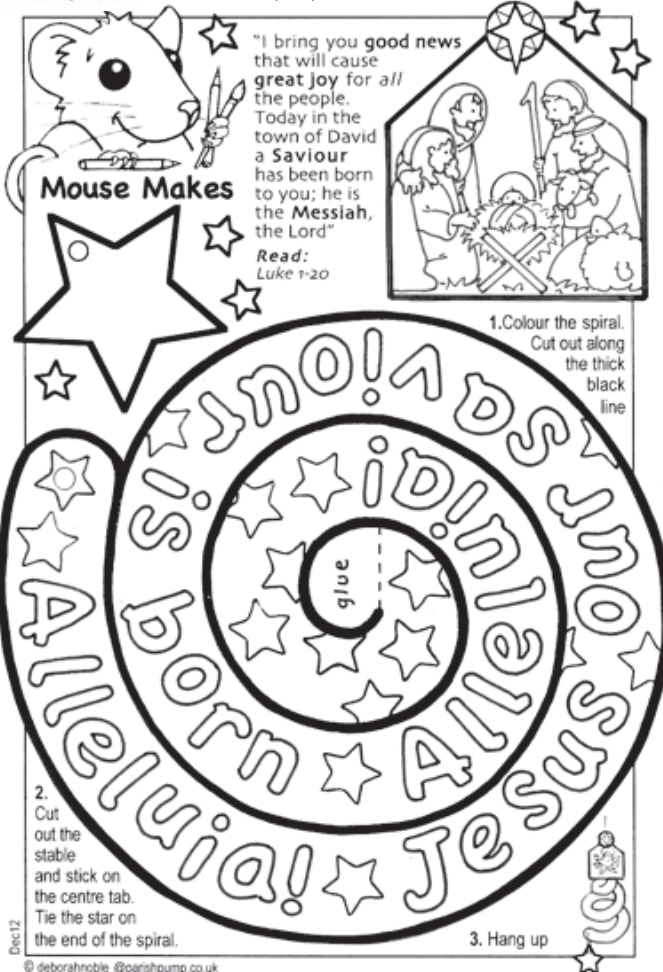
Unfortunately both Jordan & Simon are having to retire from running the Youth Club, if any adult would like to take on

leadership could they please contact Jordan or Simon on 890991 or Ben on 890495. Sadly if no one is able to take this on then Youth Club will have to close.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the adult helpers for their support & giving up their time on Sundays to help out.

Thank you to all the Youths for coming along & we hope you've enjoyed spending time there & thank you to all the villagers & surrounding villagers for lending us your support, for all the fund raising & for giving us a helping hand whenever we've needed it. It really is appreciated.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas & a very Happy & Healthy New Year,
Jordan, Ben, Simon



Good News Parish Magazine December 2012



While they were in Bethlehem, the time came for Mary to have her baby. She gave birth to her first son, wrapped him in cloths and laid him in a manger—there was no room for them to stay in the inn.
Luke 2.6

Come and Sing the Christmas Story

School Christingle

9.30am in Eastling Church on 14th December

Carols by Candlelight

6.30pm in the Champion Hall on 14th December

Crib Service

3pm in Stalisfield Church on 16th December

Carol Service

5pm in Throwley Church on 16th December

Stalisfield Carol Singing

6pm at The Plough on 20th December

Carols in Faversham Market Place

7pm on 22nd December

Nine Lessons & Carols

4pm in Eastling Church on Christmas Eve

Midnight Mass

11.30pm in Stalisfield Church on Christmas Eve

Christmas Day Family Communion

10am in Eastling Church

10am in Throwley Church

MERRY CHRISTMAS

to all our readers

AND

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

Message for the Month

This year of 2012 has been a year of reconnections and pride for the British people. We have reconnected with our patriotism and our belief in ourselves as a nation: The Queen's Jubilee has made many of us proud of our Queen. Our village celebrations were all very successful and connected us with our village communities and with people all over the country. Then the Olympic Games made us proud of our nation's sporting achievements, but also proud of our ability to organise successfully such an enormous event, and our creativity in producing such an unusual and beautiful Opening and Closing Ceremony. The warmth of welcome of the thousands of volunteers surprised us, and the courage and good humour of the Paralympians and the encouragement it has given to the disabled has been a force for good.

Now we are back to criticising ourselves! : our bankers, our MP's expenses and our media. Now also the Church of England has been unable to push through a vote for women bishops although it is obviously a majority desire. These things are wrong in themselves but can be righted as long as we continue to pursue our national wish for truth and justice. So let us not lose our new spirit of belief in ourselves. There is something else that I hope and pray that this Christmas will reignite. We as a nation have based our culture on Christianity and the Christian ethic: the guiding principles of belief in a God of love, truth and justice, and of loving our neighbour as ourselves. This Christian ethic has shaped our nation into what it is, and our principles of justice and respect for the individual all stem from our Judeo-Christian heritage.

May the birth of Christ reawaken us to the good and true God and His presence with us. May we turn back again and reconnect with our roots. May we turn again to the Christ child, the symbol of hope and renewal, May God bless you and refresh you all this Christmas.

Rev. Angela Cheeseman



Norma Murrain of silverfishjewellery.com recalls the year her three year-old played the angel Gabriel...

The year Gabriel burst into tears

"And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." (Luke 2:7)

One of my favourite things about the advent season is watching the children as they take part in the nativity play. It always brings a tear and a large smile.

This verse always takes me back to my youngest son, Daniel, and his first nativity play. He was just three years old and he was dressed up as the angel Gabriel - the cutest angel Gabriel I ever saw. All was going well until Mary and Joseph got to the scene where the inn keeper says "No room".

As those words were spoken, Daniel burst into tears and rushed out to attack the little innkeeper. He was totally inconsolable! The innkeeper started to cry, and then other children started to cry. Embarrassed and apologetic, his dad and I managed to remove him from the scene, still crying inconsolably. We left behind an audience fighting back fits of laughter....

As the angels in heaven rejoice when one sinner repents, I wonder if they cry, like Daniel did, when Jesus comes knocking at our hearts and finds no room. I wonder how they will feel as they watch our festivities this Christmas. Will they laugh and celebrate with us, or will our indifference to the Great Tidings of Good News break their hearts? Will you make room in your heart for Jesus? Will you make the angels smile, or cry?

Here is a Christmas prayer that will give you the best present you ever had:

'Dear Lord Jesus, please forgive the times I've shut you out. My heart is open now, will you come in?'

Please cleanse me from anything that might cause you pain and fill my heart with your love this Christmas - and forever. In Jesus name, Amen.'



Praying Together for our New Priest - you are welcome to join us.

At the suggestion of Archdeacon Stephen, we invite folk from all around the benefice of Eastling, Stalisfield with Otterden, and Throwley to join the nucleus of the Thursday prayer group on the first Thursday every month, beginning on 6th December.

We meet at Pinks Farm, Eastling from 10.30am, begin with tea / coffee and informal chat, then settle down to pray for people and circumstances in need of prayer. There is no compulsion on participants to pray out loud. Contact Hilary on 01795 890338 for more information.

When Jesus' disciples asked him how they should pray he gave them the Lord's Prayer; you can read his instructions in the gospel of Luke, chapter 11, verses 1 - 11.

Prayer Pointers December 2012



Sundays	Guide our thoughts and actions in this time of Advent.
Mondays	Continue to pray for our Church Councils.
Tuesdays	Pray for family unity everywhere.
Wednesdays	Help us to promote the true meaning of Christmas.
Thursdays	Give thanks for all of God's gifts to us.
Fridays	Pray for all who are less fortunate than us.
Saturdays	Pray for all afflicted by war, unrest and conflict.

New Priest Recruitment Status

At the end of September an advertisement was placed in Church Times and on the Canterbury Diocese web site for a House-for-Duty priest for our new High Downs Benefice, with the hope that interviews will be held on 26th October. Unfortunately no applicants were forthcoming. The Archdeacon is pursuing other possibilities for us and the vacancy advert will be kept open on the Diocesan web site. In the meantime it is imperative that we continue to pray that a suitable new priest will be forthcoming. A Benefice Prayer Meeting is to be held on Thursday 6th December at 10:30 in the home of Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling.

Flower Rota Eastling Church

Dec 2nd	Cerys Lister
Dec 9th	Cerys, Bay, Nerys
Dec 16th	Tree
Dec 23rd	Communal Decorating on Saturday 22nd All helpers needed.

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Contact Numbers:
Parish /Village Warden 0779 401 0394
Crimestoppers 0800 555 111
Swale Police 101 Emergency 999



There was a report in the village of a person in a blue van offering to sell small power tools: This gives me ample opportunity to remind everybody to make sure your shed and out buildings are secure as there are persons about whom will gladly help themselves to any valuable items.

With the Christmas celebrations upon us again a timely reminder to not drink drive as you will get caught, lose your licence, your employment and could be your life, hopefully not someone else as well.

The problem of dogs faeces on public footpaths and in public places is now growing in to a serious problem. Dog owners are requested to please pick the mess up in a bag and put it in your green bin. Failure to do so if reported carries a £100 fine and your name in the newspaper, but it is not only this it is not very nice that we have other people and children using these footpaths and have to contend with this.

As is usual this time of the year keep your property well protected and to report any suspicious callers or vehicles that are about.

May I take this opportunity of wishing you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Have a good month and stay alert. Alan

The Carpenters Arms

01795 890234

Christmas Quiz Night
Thursday December 6th, £5 per entry, winner takes all. 8pm

Christmas Opening Hours
Christmas Day 11am-2pm Boxing Day 12-6
Then normal opening till New Year's Eve
New Year's Eve 12-3 & 6-? New Year's Day 12 - 6
2nd 3rd 4th Closed

New Year's Party
We've been asked for black tie again and a costume theme as well, so what we've decided is that you can decide! Talk to your friends and neighbours and wear whatever you want. However, please Eric not the mankini again, I can't take it. There will be a disco through the evening and a hot & cold buffet available at £10 each. Free entry and fireworks at midnight.

New Year's Day
12-6 bar only but again we're inviting people to bring along food to share. Fantastic turn out last year so more of the same please folks, apart from the stale pizza Paul, not needed thanks.

Christmas Trees
On sale from Tuesday 4th Dec. We will be carrying lots of 4, 5 and 6ft in stock to take away but if you need a different size please call and I'll pick one up and deliver it to your house.

Live music for December
Friday 7th Happy Trails
Friday 14th Michael Seraphim. Reggae at The Carps!
Keith & Eileen will be giving reggae dancing lessons on the night.
Christmas Eve Kelly's Heroes

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and thank you all for your wonderful support over the last 4 years
Mitch, Donna and the dogs

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met on Wednesday 14th November 2012. Councillors were advised that the Youth Club had received a donation from the Harvest Auction held at The Carpenter's Arms. Many thanks to all who bid on the various lots.

Councillor Prescott said that the state of the roads in Swale was to be discussed at the next Local Engagement Forum on 4th December at 7.30pm in Queen Elizabeth School. He suggested that the Parish Council should attend if possible to bring the potholes and poor state of Mill Lane to the attention of Kent Highways.

A letter had been received from the Highways and Transportation Dept. and copy of Notice regarding the reduced speed limit to 30mph through the village. It is hoped that this would be effectual by 9th December.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th January 2013 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

CHRISTMAS 2012 AND NEW YEAR

Swale REFUSE COLLECTIONS

Collections will be affected for **ONE** week only

If your normal collection falls on **Your collection will take place...**

BLUE BINS	
Monday 24th December	Collection as normal
Tuesday 25th December.....	Thursday 27th December
Wednesday 26th December	Friday 28th December
Thursday 27th December	Saturday 29th December
Friday 28th December	Monday 31st December

GREEN BINS	
Monday 31st December	Tuesday 1st January
Tuesday 1st January.....	Wednesday 2nd January
Wednesday 2nd January	Thursday 3rd January
Thursday 3rd January.....	Friday 4th January
Friday 4th January	Saturday 5th January

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop at Belmont House



Wednesday 5th December 2012,
11am till 1pm
£15 per person

Come and make a special festive wreath using foliage from the gardens of Belmont

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Services in our Churches

2nd December Advent Sunday

1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - end, Luke 21. 25 - 36
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
 Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

9th December Advent 2

Philippians 1. 3 - 11 Luke 3. 1 - 6
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
 Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
 Eastling 10.30 am Sunday Freestyle

16th December Advent 3

Philippians 4. 4 - 7 Luke 3. 7 - 18
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am S Club in Village Hall
 Stalisfield 3 pm Crib Service
 Throwley 5 pm Carol Service

23rd December Advent 4

Hebrews 10. 5 - 10 Luke 1. 39 - 45 [46 - 55]
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

24th December Christmas Eve

Eastling 4 pm Nine lessons and Carols
 Stalisfield 11.30 pm Midnight Communion

25th December Christmas Day

Eastling 10 am Family Communion
 Throwley 10 am Family Communion

30th December Christmas 1

Colossians 3. 12 - 17 Luke 2. 41 - end
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

6th January 2013 Epiphany

Ephesians 3. 1 - 12, Matthew 2. 1 - 12
 Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Throwley 10 am Benefice Epiphany Service

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

Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in Charge Vacant
 Non Stipendiary Minister with Permission To Officiate
 Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)
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 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)
 Martin Beckenham (01795 892079)
Parish Administrator
 Sheila Moger (01233 713212)
 E mail samhawkstest@aol.com
Throwley Barbara Elliott (01795 890020)
 Maggie Scutt (01795 890312)

From the Registers

Baptism

Darcy Louise Price
 28th October 2012 at Eastling

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: monthly Study Group - 10am on 18th December
 at Garden Cottage, Newnham Lane.
 Tuesdays: weekly Study Group 7.30pm Pinks Farm
 Thursdays: weekly Prayer Group 10.30am Pinks Farm
 You will be welcome at any of our groups.

Christmas Freestyle

Sunday 9th December
 Eastling Church
 10.30am
 All ages welcome



Babies' Jumpers

"An enormous thank you to everyone who has kindly knitted jumpers for the babies in Kenya. Every one is really appreciated and is helping to keep a little baby warm on cold African nights; yes nights can be very cold there! So far I have been given 412! Half of which are now on their way to Kenya and the others will be on their way next week. I have been asked by the charity to thank everyone for their dedication to this cause. Several knitters have approached me asking 'When should the jumpers be knitted by?' As this is an ongoing project, please keep knitting, if you possibly can. If you have any spare double knitting wool you would like to donate for knitters who are unable to afford wool but who are eager to knit, could you please give it to Janet Payne at the Rectory in Eastling, you will find her there on Friday mornings, or alternatively, telephone her: 01795 890487. Once again, my grateful thanks and 'Happy Knitting' - Gwen Bower"

A Favourite Time

by Audrey Keen

For many of us spring is a favourite time of the year. Primroses and violets bring forward memories of country walks, Mother's Day and Eastertime. Daffodils are always a part of spring: their colour and shape shoot through the earth adding their own voice to the beginning of the season. But while spring is a favourite time, so also is the autumn, for this season has charms all of its own. It was in the autumn that I saw the scene described below and I share it with you today.

*Inside a tree tiny toadstools grew
 I remember as a child.*

*How they got there I never knew
 To me they were simply wild.*

My mother would say:

"It's the fairies' home,

There's the table and the chairs!"

And toadstools one upon the other

Looked exactly like the stairs.

So absorbed was I that I began

To think this might be true

And to this very day I know

That really I still do!

AIK

Thank Dickens for Christmas as you know it!

Ever wonder where many of our Christmas traditions come from? A surprising amount can be traced back to the well-loved story of 'A Christmas Carol', by Charles Dickens. When you read 'A Christmas Carol', you discover almost a template of the 'ideal Christmas' which we still hold dear today. Dickens seems to have selected the best of the Christmas celebrations of his day (he ignored some of the odd excesses) and packaged them in such a way as to give us traditions that we

could accommodate and treasure - more than a century later.

For instance, in 'A Christmas Carol', Christmas is a family day, with a family-centred feast. In a home decorated with holly and candles the characters enjoy a roast turkey, followed by Christmas pudding. They give their loved ones presents. Scrooge even gives donations to charity (!). And all the while outside, there is snow and frost, while church bells ring, and carol singers sing, and hope for mulled wine. In 'A Christmas Carol' there is even a Father Christmas - in the shape of Christmas Present. Only the Christmas tree itself came later; when Prince Albert imported 'a pretty German toy' that won the heart of the English court, and hence the rest of Victorian society.



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OTTERDEN and STALISFIELD W.I.

Our wreath making this year will be held in Derbies Court barn, with kind permission from

Judith Saunders, on 5th December at 7.30pm. If you would like to join us for this please would you contact myself, or Kim, as we are booking up the wreaths already and have limited numbers. If you would like to join us as a guest or would like to become a member please contact Kim Curtis on 01795 890691. Carol Morris OTTERDEN and STALISFIELD WI publicity 01795 892038.

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Eastling School events

3-6th December - Book Fair between 3.00 and 3.40pm - a selection of new books will be on sale within the school hall specially selected for their suitability for children aged 4 to 11. Any community member is welcome to come along and browse if they would like to buy a book for their child, grandchild or even as a gift for a child they know!

5th December - A parent viewing of all the beautiful Christmas displays that the children have made between 1.10pm and 3.40pm.

Wednesday 5th December "Coffee n Cakes" - a chance to catch up with other parents and have a chat at this FOES coffee and cakes session.

Thursday 6th December 1.45pm - Our KS1 children will be visiting The George Inn, Newnham to regale patrons with their Christmas singing.

Tuesday/Wednesday 11th-12th December - The highlight of the school year as the Infant children perform their **Nativity** from 1.40pm. Contact the school for tickets (these are given to Parents of the school initially)

Friday 14th December - The school holds a **Christingle** service at St Mary's church from 9.30am

Thursday 20th December - Thanks to the generosity of FOES we have a **Pantomime troop** at school. This year it's "Sleeping Beauty" and we'd like to give an open invitation to any pre school child in the area who'd like to come and see it with their parent to come along from 1.30pm [Please let us know you are coming by calling the school on 01795 890252 beforehand]

Friday 21st December - Our final day of term, followed by a special **Christmas Disco** for our children.

Lastly, a reminder for all your readers that placement at our school for September 2013 is now open for children who will become five before August 31st 2013. We also have a few 'in year' places for anyone considering a move to the area.

FRIENDS of EASTLING SCHOOL

Following our successful coffee/tea and cake sale in October, our next **Cake Sale** will be on **Wednesday 5th December** from 1.10pm to 3.40pm in the school hall, when a range of good quality second hand uniform will also be available to purchase. This is also an invitation to all parents and family to look around the school.

Future events:

Infants' Nativity Play - 11th & 12th December - Teas & coffee will be available before each performance.

School Children's Christmas Shopping - Friday 14th December.

The children's Christmas Disco - Friday 21st December

Details of these events will be sent home.

Jill Seaman. 01795 890252



Christmas Trees for Charity

Last year a total of £8,445 was distributed to local parishes and many charities; Eastling Church Fabric Fund has received £107.

So great was the parishes support last year, that unfortunately and regrettably this year the only trees that will be available will be a limited number of taller varieties between 15 - 30 ft. If this is of interest, please contact Peter Howard by phone 01795 532596 or email: nashsfarmhouse@btinternet.com.

Peter is sorry to have to restrict the selection this year, but hopefully after a year or so he should be able to offer a wider selection again.

However, Chris and Heather Flood have a good selection of Christmas Trees at Uplees Farm (a mile away). Phone 07768 841 599 or 01795 532133.

Stalisfield Rocks for Christmas

Friday 21st December



Stalisfield's home grown band **Group Therapy**

will be playing in The Plough on the 21st December. The event will raise money for the Village Hall Fund and will be a fitting and lively start to the Christmas season. There may be a guest appearance or two and also during the evening will be the drawing of the luxury raffle that began at The Harvest Supper.

Hope to see you there!

Visit the
GREEN CHRISTMAS MARKET
on Saturday 8th December
in the Guildhall,
Faversham Market Place
10am - 4pm
Give everyone a present - shop ethically
Organised by Friends of the Earth
Swale Group

The Painters Forstal COFFEE CLUB
Join us in Whitehill Chapel,
12th December,
11 am - 12.30pm.
All welcome.



Eastling Gardeners' Club
holds its
New Year's Party
on Saturday, 12th January in
Eastling Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.
There will be a 'magic lantern show'
followed by a buffet meal with wine.
Free to members, non-members £2.50

Eastling Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch

will be on Tuesday 11th December
in Eastling village hall;

12.30pm for drinks, 1pm for meal.

We hope to get the invitations out soon, should you not receive one before 4th December, or know of someone else, please ring Norman and Marina on 890242 so we can put things right.

Christmas Fair

Saturday 1st December
Newnham Village Hall
10am - 2pm

Locally made Christmas crafts, local honey, cake and bottle stalls. Homemade lunches and refreshments.

Visit **Father Christmas** between 11am - 1pm
Proceeds to Newnham Church



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CAFÉ STYLE

Eastling Village Hall
10am on Sunday 27th January 2013

Café Style is a fresh expression of worship;
it is a church worship service in a café setting.

There will be tea & coffee & yummy nibbles available throughout the service.

The service will include sung worship, times of prayer, with opportunities for discussion & reflection.

It is suitable for all ages, with space for the youngest and oldest to worship altogether.



Eastling Short Mat Bowls

On 25th October the Eastling Cherries played away at Capel-le-Ferne in the East Kent League, losing 6 points to nil. Then, on 1st November, Capel came to Eastling and, like all teams, they say, 'You are a long way out'. I asked, 'Did you pass the stage coach on the way?' Anyway, we beat them 6 points to nil. On 8th November we played at home beating Aylesham 6 points to nil. Then, on 13th November, it was away to Aylesham with the team of Mick Heath, Eileen Piles and Chris Smith winning on their mat, but Des Briggs, Bryan Searly and Roy Piles losing on the last end. To come away with 2 points was a very good result.

In the Swale league we played Newington and beat them 14 points to nil. Roy played away for the Kent "B" team at Guilford on 17th November, and the Kent team beat Surrey in a very close game by 3 points.

Roy Piles 01795 537162

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Wishing you all a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

& A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thank you to everyone who has supported the classes this year.

Looking forward to keeping fit with you in 2013

FOR DETAILS CONTACT

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01795 890149 or 07873 431952

Stalisfield Limelight

Pantomime

Dick Whittington

Performances on 7th and 8th December at 7.30pm

Tickets for the opening feature of the Stalisfield Theatre are almost sold out. At time of going to print there are a few still available for the Friday performance but they are like snowflakes in summer. To try for remaining seats please telephone Judith on (01795)

890203 or email judithandandrew@yahoo.com Tickets are priced at £6 for adults and £3 for children. Come prepared to be amazed by the cast of local performers creating magic on the Stalisfield stage.

STALISFIELD CAROLS

Maintaining our wonderful tradition of celebrating Christmas with singing with our community The Stalisfield Carols has been set for Thursday, December 20th. Carol singers to meet on the green outside The Plough at 6pm.

December
2012



Stalisfield Over 60s



If you haven't received your invitation from the Village Hall Committee to join us for the Annual Christmas Tea on Saturday 15th December, please advise Ian on (01795) 890475. He will be happy to invite you to an afternoon of fine fare and entertainment in the Hut on the Green, at 4pm.

Painters Forstal with Ospringe W.I.

Tuesday 11th December
Mr E Spear will give a talk about
A Victorian Village School
Competition: A school photograph
2.15pm in the Champion Hall
New members welcome, please contact Bobbie on 01795 532756

W. I. Craft Club

Wednesday 5th December,
11.30am - 1.30pm, Champion Hall

Card Making

Make a personalised Christmas card for friends or family.
£3 charge

Email Becky: beckytowler@hotmail.com or Pat: patyunger@sky.com or phone 01795 539629

1 st Christmas Fair	10am - 2pm	Newnham Village Hall
3 rd - 6 th Children's Book Fair	3 - 3.40pm	Eastling School
5 th Wreath Making	11am	Belmont House
5 th W. I. Craft Club	11.30am	Champion Hall
5 th Coffee and Cakes	1.10pm	Eastling School
5 th W.I. Wreath Making	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
6 th Children's Carol singing	1.45pm	The George, Newnham
6 th Christmas Quiz Night	8pm	Carpenters Arms
7/8 th Dick Whittington	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
11 th Mobile Library	10.50am	Glebe Cottages
11 th Senior Citizens' Lunch	12.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
11 th Painters Forstal W.I.	2.15pm	Champion Hall
14 th School Christingle	9.30am	Eastling Church
14 th Carols by Candlelight	6.30pm	Champion Hall
15 th Over 60s' Christmas Tea	4pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
15 th Deadline for January 2013 Good News	See below	
16 th Christmas S Club	10am	Eastling Village Hall
20 th Sleeping Beauty	1.30pm	Eastling School
20 th Stalisfield Carol Singing	6pm	The Plough
21 st Group Therapy	Evening	The Plough
JANUARY 12 th Gardeners' Party	7.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
27 th Café Church	10am	Eastling Village Hall

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