

St Mary's Church presents...
CAFESTYLE
Sunday 8th January
10am - 11am
Eastling Village Hall
A creative time of worship:
Church in a Café setting,
worship discussion reflection
prayer fellowship
Tea, coffee & yummy nibbles will be available throughout the service, which will include sung worship, times of prayer, with opportunities for discussion & reflection, and space for the youngest & oldest to worship altogether

Help feed local people in crisis

Happy New Year to you all!

A really big thank you to everybody who contributed to our extra appeal for Christmas. The response was amazing. The organisers were delighted to be able to add some extras to the Christmas food parcels. We look forward to continuing to work together to help provide food for those in need.

Food list for January

Urgent items: long life milk; tinned minced beef; tinned stewing steak; coffee; cooking sauces; tinned fruit; tinned vegetables.

Also needed: washing up liquid; toilet cleaner; all purpose cleaner; all purpose cloths.



Eastling School News

A very warm welcome back to the New Year from everyone at the school. We come back from the Christmas break after a staff training day on Tuesday 3rd January, so the children will be making their way through the village from Wednesday 4th January 2017 with an 8:50am start.

We're off to an exciting start, with an afternoon of Mathematics at Highsted grammar on the first Wednesday, as well as a recommencement of the football league against all our local schools. We're also hoping to take part in a number of wider sports competitions, the first of which is Sportshall athletics on the 18th. We continue with our swimming sessions, taking our Year 3 children to the Faversham pool each Wednesday afternoon.

As always we continue with our Arts activities, inviting Drama4all back to the school on Tuesday 24th whilst having a literacy activity week starting at the end of the month. This is preceded by a challenge read, so watch out for students with their noses stuck in novels on The Street. A new activity for us is the arrival of a dinosaur man (he tells us he has a pet dinosaur that he brings along as well!). This happens during our Literacy week on the 30th Jan, followed on the 31st by a special Usborne book sale in our school hall.

We also welcome Mrs Rayner as our new senior teacher - she is a village resident so it's a delight to invite her on to our staff team.

Dave Walsh, Head Teacher

Mouse Makes

"Oh, Teach us to live well!
Teach us to live wisely and well!"
from Psalm 90:12 MSG

"Always be full of joy.
Never stop praying."
1 Thessalonians 5:17

"This is the day the Lord has made,
Let us rejoice and be happy today!"
Psalm 118:24

"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

"Be kind and loving to each other,
and forgive each other
just as God forgave you in Christ."
Ephesians 4:32

"The Lord has told you... what he wants from you: to do what is right to other people, love being kind to others and live humbly obeying your God."
Micah 6:8

Whatever happens, always be thankful.

NEW in the Good News this year

Friday Focus 2017 - calling on Christians across the UK to join in

Churches across the UK are preparing for mission together in 2018 to make Jesus known. A major new initiative, 'Friday Focus 2017' provides the opportunity for us to pray where we are, and unite across our nation on Fridays (whenever possible), supporting all on-going mission across the UK and preparing the way for HOPE 2018.

YOU too can join in, please see the enclosed leaflet - to read further and see the videos go to: www.hopetogether.org.uk



Candlemas

In bygone centuries, Christians said their last farewells to the Christmas season on Candlemas, 2 February. This is exactly 40 days after Christmas Day itself.

In New Testament times 40 days old was an important age for a baby boy: it was when they made their first 'public appearance'. Mary, like all good Jewish mothers, went to the Temple with Jesus, her first male child - to 'present him to the Lord'. At the same time, she, as a new mother, was 'purified'. Thus we have the Festival of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

So where does the Candlemas bit come in? Jesus is described in the New Testament as the Light of the World, and early Christians developed the tradition of lighting many candles in celebration of this day. The Church also fell into the custom of blessing the year's supply of candles for the church on this day - hence the name, Candlemas.

The story of how Candlemas began can be found in Luke 2:22-40.

Simeon's great declaration of faith and recognition of who Jesus was is of course found in the Nunc Dimittis, which is embedded in the Office of Evening Prayer in the West. But in medieval times, the Nunc Dimittis was mostly used just on this day, during the distribution of candles before the Eucharist. Only gradually did it win a place in the daily prayer life of the Church.

Visit our village websites:

www.throwley.net



www.stalisfieldvillagehall.co.uk

The new Eastling Village website can be found at

www.eastlingvillage.co.uk

and Eastling village hall:

www.eastlingvillagehall.co.uk

Come and join us for a special Evening Prayer for Candlemas

Sunday 29th January

St. Mary, Eastling, 4pm

Good News Parish Magazine January 2017

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

www.northdowns.plus.com/goodnews

The New Year is upon us! When we look back at the year 2016, we can see both good and not so good happenings, in the public and political world and in our own personal lives. Now we are asking what will 2017 be like.

I am going to propose that what happens to us this coming new year will, to a degree, be based on whether we live as people of choice or reaction. Let me explain; whenever we face a situation, do we simply react to the new situation or do we respond in ways that reflect our own choice and values?

Looking forward, most of us would agree that 2017 will be a year in which changes will come upon us. Brexit, the initiating of Clause 50 to change the UK's relationship with the EU and the inauguration of Donald Trump as the next president of the United States are two of the big changes that are looming on the horizon. Other potential items of significance that could affect our society include the rising levels of intolerance and aggressive prejudice towards those who are different from us in culture, race, or place of origin. And there are going to be other events that capture our attention, that could enthuse us, or frighten or depress us.

As we approach the new and often challenging situations that we will meet in 2017, we have a choice in how we respond. Quick reactions are often made simply from emotions, fear, anger, protective

impulses or excitement and anticipation. As Christians we all have these emotions and feelings but we also have our values and the influence and inspiration of those who have lived through crises, those recorded in the Bible, and in the culture of the Christian Church, and the examples of the great and the ordinary Christians whom we have known.

Back when my son was a teen in a church youth group, he learned about an approach to life and teen pressures that focused on WWJD – "what would Jesus do?" When I was a young man exploring my spirituality, I read Charles Sheldon's book, *In His Steps* and was also introduced to one of the writings of Thomas à Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ*. These have contributed to the foundation for my decision making process.

As we attempt to live a life reflecting the qualities of Jesus Christ, the grace of the Holy Spirit empowers us to be motivated more by love of God and our neighbours rather than our own ulterior motives and fears. Happy New Year and blessings as you face the challenges and joys of this coming year.

Canon Donald J Lawton

Collect for Epiphany

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eastling Church January 2017

- 1st - checking own Christmas arrangements.
- 8th & 15th - Pippa & Gabrielle
- 22nd & 29th - Bay & Di Kemp
- 5th February - Nerys



The fuel for our Christian life is prayer and bible reading. In the Good News Parish Magazine, there have been several encouragements and resources for us to assist us in feeding our spiritual lives.

For a number of years David and Christine Fagg have provided us with prayer pointers for each day of the week, short topic sentences, so that we can balance our prayer life and think about various needs and activities in the world beyond our own usual focus. We would like to say 'thank you' to David and Christine as they retire from this ministry, knowing that they will

FRIDAY FOCUS

continue to be praying for a wide range of activities and needs in the world including our communities.

As we look to filling the gap left by their retirement, the inter church initiative HOPE, has published the first of their new *Friday Focus*; a bi-monthly prayer and scripture resource to encourage us all as the churches prepare for HOPE 2018, a year of mission together



in words and actions to make Jesus known. In the leaflet enclosed in this month's Good News you will find a suggested scripture to read, a short commentary or application and a prayer written by someone from one of the churches or mission organizations. This folder can be used individually or as a resource for a family discussion and prayer time. I am adding it to my prayer folder and encourage others to begin to use this new material.

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Village Warden 07794 010 394
or 01795 890848
Police 101 Emergency 999



It has been a bad year for various scams occurring locally either via computers etc, doorstep callers, via telephone calls. Let us turn the tide on these evil people who are after our hard earned finances. Please in the future do not pass on any bank or personal details to any one you do not know as bona fide. Your own bank will not contact you to ask you to verify your details nor will any company you deal with on the internet. If at any time there is the slightest hesitation do not give your details away. If you are not sure please contact either me or Citizens Advice to check it out. Again if you are worried about doorstep callers please contact me or the police.

Some horrible person decided to carry out fly tipping are the S bend as you come into the village. They were seen at the time but unfortunately at the angle the van was a full number plate could not be seen and at this time has not been traced, however markings on the side of the van are enabling enquiries to continue. Fly tipping is on the increase so if seen please with as many details as you can contact me or scale borough council with the info. Have a happy New year and thank you for all your support over the last year. Take care out there Alan

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the council will be at 6.30pm in the Village Hall on 12th January (date to be confirmed). We have a new Eastling Village website, which can be found at www.eastlingvillage.co.uk. Do take a look.

Yet Another Success

Well done to Marion, Dorothy, Pam and all their team for another wonderful Christmas lunch for the more mature in our Eastling village society. The food was delicious, service excellent and company delightful, all rounded off by some wonderful singing from Lis Bayford and her ladies.

Thank you.

Charity Breakfast

Sheldwich Village Hall, ME13 ONG

Sunday 15th January, 9 am - 12 noon

Enjoy breakfast and help to raise money for Childreach International, a children's charity whose mission is to restore child-rights and empower children to create positive change through community-based solutions, ensuring children have improved access to education, protection and healthcare. Contact: 07775 541606



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Bible Bite A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Genesis 12:1-9, 17:1-22, 18:1-15, 21:1-7



Services in our Churches

1st January 2017 Christmas 2

Isaiah 63. 7 - 9, Hebrews 2. 10 - end, Matthew 2. 13 - end
Stalisfield 10am Holy Communion (BCP)

8th January Epiphany

Isaiah 60. 1-16, Ephesians 3. 1 - 12. Matthew 2. 1 - 12
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 am CaféStyle
Throwley 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

15th January Epiphany 2

Isaiah 49. 1 - 7, 1Corinthians 1. 1 - 9, John 1. 29 - 42
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

22nd January Epiphany 3

Isaiah 9. 1 - 4, 1Corinthians 1. 10 - 18, Matthew 4. 12 - 23
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Throwley 10am Holy Communion (BCP)

29th January Candlemas

Malachi 3. 1 - 5, Hebrews 2. 14 - end, Luke 2. 22 - 40
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 4 pm Benefice Evening Prayer for Candlemas

5th February 4th before Lent

Isaiah 58. 1-12, 1 Corinthians 2. 1-12 (13-20), Matthew 5. 13 - 20
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer

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

The High Downs Benefice

Rector Revd Canon Donald J. Lawton (01795 890487)
The Rectory, Newham Lane, Eastling ME13 0AS

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

Reader Caroline Ramshaw (01795 892088)
4 Glebe Cottages, Eastling

Churchwardens

Eastling Andrew Baxter (01795 890598)

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

Stalisfield with Otterden Jean West (01233 712270)

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

Throwley Vacant

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: Study group, 9.30am on 10th & 24th January
at Garden Cottage, Eastling. 01795 890368

Tuesdays: Weekly study group, 7.30pm Pinks Farm,
Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338

Thursdays: Weekly prayer group, 10.30am Pinks Farm
Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338

Fridays: Weekly study group, 10.45am, New House Farm,
Eastling. 01795 890629

You will be welcome at any of our groups.

Churches Together in Faversham
United Service

Sunday 29th January 2017

St. Mary of Charity

10.30am - 12pm

Guest Speaker: Revd. Eric Delve

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Memories of Eastling

- Ruby Drosecher
(nee Eyles)

Our Cottage

We lived in the cottage next to the forge, a tied cottage, belonging to Lord Harro, although we didn't know that until the boys died. There was a courtyard behind our garden where they used to bring the horses to be shod. There were the big shire horses who worked the fields - no machines then! I remember the first machine - it was a Combire harvester. That used to go from farm to farm. In the cottage the stairs ran up from the front door, but we never used that door - we always used the back door. This opened up to the forge. There was a bedroom either side of the stairs - 2 big rooms, big enough to put 2 double beds in. First there was me (Ruby) and my brother Cyril, then Maizie was born in 1928 and the 'baby', Lellie came along in 1931. We had a bed for the boys and a bed for the girls, although the 'baby' slept in with Mum and Dad at first. Downstairs was our living room/kitchen with a kitchen range, and off this was the scullery, with a sink, copper and a small table. We had tap water, which was new to us - we had to get water from the well when we lived in Sussex. The toilet was at the top of the garden, past Payer's house and down the path, so we used chamber pots most of the time. No electricity, so we had paraffin lamps - until they connected the gas - we were forever having to go to Mrs Hawkett's shop to buy new gas mantels - they broke so easily. She sold paraffin too - served it from out the back of the shop.



Canon David Winter considers the role of the Magi

We, three kings?

They're there in most Nativity plays, resplendent in regal gowns and cardboard crowns, carrying their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Actually, the Church celebrates the coming of these exotic people to the stable at Bethlehem not at Christmas but now, in January, in a season called 'Epiphany'.

The word means 'revealing', and it reminds us that the Saviour was a gift to the whole world - even Gentiles from 'the East' were welcome at His coming. The story of the Wise Men, as we usually call them (but more accurately the *Magi*), is a 'revealing' - the 'new king' was to be the Saviour of the world, 'good news for all people', as the angels proclaimed to the shepherds.

The name 'Magi' should alert us to their true role. They were 'wise' in the sense that they knew and studied the stars, but their primary trade was fortune-telling. 'Magi' is the root of our word 'magic', and people like them held the ancient world in thrall to their predictions. In the Greek and Roman world of the time no major decision would be made without their sanction. Think of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* and the superstitious fear that dominated people's lives.

Yet when these powerful representatives of the world of magic, portent and fear came to the stable, they prostrated themselves before the infant Jesus, as they gave Him their gifts. Thus, as the first Christians saw it, the old world of fear and superstition gave way to the new world of love, grace and faith. That was the 'revealing' that we celebrate in Epiphany - not some elderly men bringing gifts to a baby, but a baby bringing to the world the greatest gift of all, a Saviour.



Short Mat Bowls

October was a very busy month for our competition team, the Eastling Cherries, who played Cuple at home and away losing both games. Then came Swalecliffe, we gained 4 points in the home match, but lost 6 - nil away playing under very difficult conditions with a very loud disco going on next door. That out the way Des Briggs, John

Graham and Roy Piles played in County triples competition at Maidstone (early bath!).

Playing in the Swale League, November 7th was our trip to Sheppey, sadly we came home with only 4 points leaving them with 10, they were due to come to Eastling on 2nd December but we had to put them off due to a small problem in the hall, this fixture to be rearranged. Lower Halstow came and we gained 9 points to their 5 points.

In the East Kent League on November 22nd, the Hoverspeed team came to Eastling and we won on both mats - 6 points, from the return match on the 28th we only came home with 2 points. It was looking a little better when Ash came next but, what a disaster, we lost both home and away.

Eastling was this year represented in the Oyster cup by Nellie Potter, Eileen Piles and Des Briggs who won two games and lost two, thanks go to them for taking part. Our last game of 2016 was against Boughton away, only coming home with two points, so no more games until 2017.

From all at the Bowls Club "Happy New Year."

If you want to get off to a good start in the new year come along and try Bowls. Contact Roy on 01795 537162 .

Stalisfield Limelight

Aladdin- The Pantomime

A West End quality production staged in Stalisfield.

Only in the wacky world of pantomime could an Arabian cast believably call Stalisfield home. Superb costume, professional backcloths and staging fronted by a magnificent proscenium arch set the scene for an outstanding version of the ancient tale with all its twists and turns in which evil and virtue battled for supremacy.

No trick was missing from the traditional panto formula. Evil was wickedly so, good was manifestly virtuous. The players portrayed the action skilfully and the audience responded to the time honoured promptings in the time honoured way. Possession of the magic lamp was the key to success but gaining it involved a goodly mix of beautifully voiced song, drama, and wit coupled with corny jokes as the plot weaved its way to the inevitable happy ending whereby the hero won the maid. Triumph owed its success to the failure of the arch baddie to take heed of his three wishes expressed inadvertently during his scolding of the goodies.

The talent of Stalisfield manifested itself once again in a performance of unbelievable quality staged to a bespoke script on a stage-set of professional quality, by performers clothed in magnificent costume and directed with skill.

At curtain call, credit was given to the invisible contributors working behind the scenes. Alan and Maggie Greenwood were responsible for lighting, sound and special effects, Nick and Kay Ford for set design, construction, props and costume and Martin Lee for constructing the laundry machine. The production was co-ordinated by Nina Williams. Tracy Dove and Summer Hall ensured smooth stage management and Fran Evers made-up everyone convincingly into character.

Special thanks must go to playwright Maud Dromgoole and to producer Cat Horn for the considerable effort needed to stage this production.

Stirling work at the box office by Sharon Carter ensured that the pantomime played "full house" on both Friday and Saturday evenings with gross ticket takings of £1360 to which bar receipts must be added.

Stalisfield Young Life

Children's Party

Stalisfield's children spent a festive afternoon in the village hall at the party organized superbly by Su McCarron. Su's following words of appreciation express fully the spirit of the event and hint at the depth of organization needed to entertain twenty excited children.

Thank you to all who so eagerly helped out for the Children's Christmas Party: from those who turned up early to help clear away the panto debris and set up for the party, to Rob who sorted our music, Tracey who ordered and took care of feeding us all (amongst other things), Tracy at Dovetail Polymers who sponsored Santa's Reindeer and got the volunteer roster going, the gallant and brave mums, dads and grandparents who willingly joined in with the games, Myrna, Anna and the many helpers who took on various roles from game leaders, to secret room wrappers and craft table supervisors,

the lovely children who made it all so worthwhile and behaved beautifully, and of course Santa and his lovely helper who wrapped the day up perfectly for us all. With so many people willingly helping out - it becomes a pleasurable afternoon!
Su and Andy

Thank you

to all those involved in the Aladdin panto, it was simply fantastic. Each year just gets better and better, such a great start to Christmas. The standard of the production is a credit to all those involved. The cast, scenery, special effects (great washing machine), all amazing.

Thank you again for such a fun loving evening. Can't wait for the next one!

Happy New Year.

Gill and Garry Linch

Stalisfield Highlife

Over 60s Christmas Lunch

Over forty mature citizens of Stalisfield left the village hall well fed and happily carrying their Christmas gifts after a convivial afternoon being royally entertained in the festively decorated hall. They had enjoyed a splendid three course meal enhanced by lively conversation among old friends and neighbours.

A short speech of thanks to the volunteers responsible for providing transport, for all the preparation and cooking, serving and clearing was heartily endorsed by the audience. The afternoon concluded with a short carol programme led by Ray and Alan with distribution of gifts.



THROWLEY WALKERS

Find us on Facebook

Wednesday Walks

Weekly Wednesday walks start at 10:30, are about 2 miles long and take about an hour. Please email me if you would like to join me. Our first January walk will be on 11th.

Friday Walks

Fortnightly Friday walks are usually faster paced and 3-5 miles in length. Please email if you would like to join me. The first one this year will be on 6th.
annhutt52@gmail.com

SINGERS NEEDED

for a special service at 4pm on 29th January, in Eastling Church, to help sing the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.

We will be having a short rehearsal, date to be confirmed.

If you would like to join us please call Hilary on 01795 890338, email hilary.harlow@me.com .

All voice parts will be very welcome.

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Eastling Gardeners' Club

Saturday 14th January 2017

'Wine Tasting' with Andy Higgs in Eastling Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Followed by drinks and food. Free to members, £3 for non-members.

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Poppy Appeal 2016

Many thanks to all who donated to the poppy Appeal house to house collection in Eastling - we collected £114.70p - a brilliant amount. The 'district' total (which I take to mean Faversham) was £25,500.
Hilary Harlow

Charing and District Local History Society.

On Thursday 12th January,

HORATIO NELSON and EMMA HAMILTON

Sheila Boyd talks about the more human side of Admiral Lord Nelson - through his relationship with Lady Hamilton



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Otterden and Stalisfield W.I.

At our December meeting members and guests made moss based Christmas wreaths and enjoyed mulled wine and festive nibbles. Thank you to those members who supplied the tasty delights. The WI do not have a meeting in January but members look forward to their 'post' Christmas meal at Posillipo's in Faversham

For information about our very friendly group please contact: Lesley Andrews (01795 890581) or Stephanie Culver (01795 890748).

Next meeting is on Wednesday 1st February in Stalisfield Village Hall at 7.30pm.

"Save the date!"

Race Night 25th February in Eastling Village Hall

Full details in the
February Good News



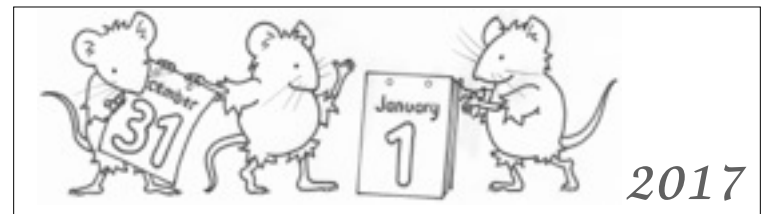
Painters Forstal with Selling W.I.

In January members will be going to their annual lunch.

As it is the start of the new year subscriptions will need to be paid to the treasurer when a membership card and a programme for 2017 will be issued.

Anyone wishing to join may come along to one meeting for a small visitors fee to see 'if it for them'.

More details from the President Mrs Barbara Elliott on 01795 890020 or email tombar72@hotmail.co.uk



WEEKLY EVENTS:

Wednesdays Throwley Walkers 10.30am see separate ad.
Alternate Wednesdays Eastling Walkers 10.30am Call 01795 892194
Thursdays Fitness Pilates 9.15am Eastling Village Hall
Fridays Throwley Walkers 10.30am Call 07948 038993
Fridays Short Mat Bowls 2.30pm & 7.30pm Eastling Hall

JANUARY 2017

8th CaféStyle	10am	Eastling Village Hall
11th Singing for the Soul	1.45pm	Newnham Village Hall
12th Parish Council meeting	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
12th Charing History Society	8pm	Charing Parish Hall
14th Gardeners' Club	7.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
15th Deadline for February Good News		See below
29th Candlemas Service	4pm	Eastling Church
31st Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm

FEBRUARY

1st Otterden & Stalisfield WI	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
25th Race Night		Eastling Village Hall

FROM THE EDITOR

If you would like to advertise in the February 2017 magazine, submit articles or stories for publication, or would like any forthcoming events publicised, send your contribution by 15th January to: Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling, Faversham, ME13 0BA. Tel: 01795 890338. Where possible, please submit your entry by email: goodnewsmagazine@me.com

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