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St Mary's Church, Stalisfield

Harvest Festival Service 10.30am

Sunday 10th October

This will be a family service celebrating the harvest and our farming community.

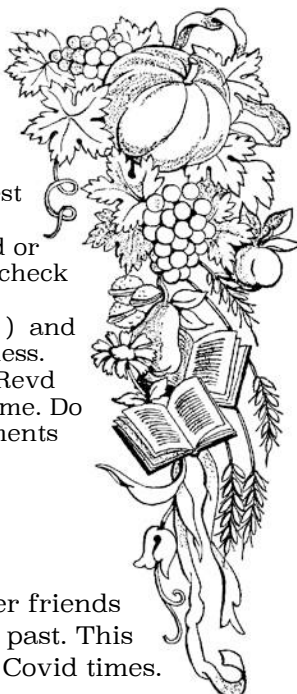
Please bring contributions of food: fresh, packaged or tinned to be given to the Faversham food bank (check website for what is appreciated - <https://faversham.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>) and Catching Lives, which is a charity for the homeless.

This service is being taken by our new Curate Revd Caroline Turvey, to whom we offer a warm welcome. Do come and meet her and join us for light refreshments after the service.

All Souls' Day Service 7pm

Tuesday 2nd November

A candlelit evening prayer service to remember friends & loved ones who have died recently and in the past. This service is particularly poignant in these Covid times.



OCTOBER 2121

- 3rd Harvest Festival 10.30am
St. Mary's Church, Eastling
- 6th Otterden & Stalisfield W.I.
Stalisfield Village Hall 7.30pm
- 10th Harvest Festival 10.30am
St. Mary's Church, Stalisfield
- 14th Gardeners' Club
Eastling Village Hall 7.30pm
- 28th Harvest Auction 7.30pm
Carpenters Arms, Eastling

NOVEMBER

- 2nd All Souls' Day Service
Stalisfield Church 7.00pm
- 3rd Otterden & Stalisfield W.I.
Stalisfield Village Hall 7.30pm
- 10th Youth Club
Stalisfield Village Hall 7 - 8.30pm
- 14th Remembrance Service
Throwley Church 10.45am
- 24th Youth Club
Stalisfield Village Hall 7 - 8.30pm

DECEMBER

- 8th Youth Club
Stalisfield Village Hall 7 - 8.30pm
- 11th Quiz Night
Stalisfield Village Hall
- 12th Carol Service
Stalisfield Church 5.30pm
- 22nd Youth Club
Stalisfield Village Hall 7 - 8.30pm
- 24th Carol Service
Eastling Church 4pm

HARVEST AUCTION

28th October 7.30pm

THE CARPENTERS ARMS

The famous bring and bid Eastling Auction returns, with the talented Paul Adams as auctioneer.

Dig out your treasures, dig up your veg, bake a cake or just turn up with some cash!

Proceeds will go to local causes (exact charities TBC)

Please bring saleable items for auction on the day in good time for the start. As usual, baking and other produce is most welcome.

See you there for an entertaining evening!



**Youth Group
Y7 to 13
7.00-8.30**

The NEW Youth Group held in Stalisfield Village Hall had a taster session in September, which was great fun!

Table tennis, table football, pool, music, lighting, cake and a very popular tuck shop!

We'd love more Years 7-13 to come and are going for a big launch in November and then running on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7-8.30pm. Dates are: Nov 10th & 24th, Dec 8th and 22nd, Jan 12th and 26th, Feb 9th and 23rd.

Adult helpers are needed, please see last page for information

Things that go bump in the night....

I love October. For me it not only brings the full beauty of autumn colouring, but also my birthday! It's also true that the days grow increasingly short as at the end of the month we change the clocks to wintertime; and the very last day of October is marked as Hallowe'en which, far removed from it's original roots as 'All Hallow's Eve' – the day before 'All Saints' Day' on 1st November and 'All Souls' Day on 2nd November and a time for remembering saints, martyrs and all the departed – is now a bright orange, purple and black festival of all things spooky and scary which seems to be loved and loathed in equal measure!

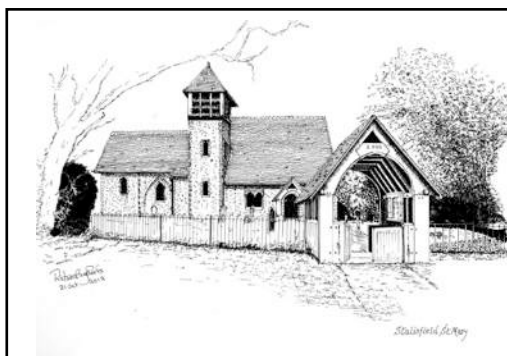
Beyond the childhood fear of ghosts, ghouls and spiders, it has led me to wonder about the things that make us afraid as adults. I wonder what frightens you? Maybe it's a fear of getting older and the associated infirmities and potential loss of independence? Maybe it's a fear of immigration and an influx of people who have not been brought up with our customs and traditions? Maybe it's a fear of losing someone you love? Maybe it's a fear of heights or of being ridiculed or catching Covid? Fear is a powerful motivator, but quite often we don't experience it as fear. Instead we experience it as anger. When something threatens our sense of safety or of well-being, we feel angry and unsettled. We might feel self-righteousness and indignant and seek to justify ourselves or to retaliate in some

way. Might it be helpful to first examine whether our anger is rooted in fear, and if so, whether there is something we can do about it?

As I write, there have been several protests in the last week where those fearful of the escalating effects of climate change have glued themselves to the M25 causing huge disruption and inconvenience to motorists. The protesters are frightened for the future and angry that there is not sufficient action to address this; and in turn, those caught up in this are understandably upset and angry that their day has been disrupted. The beautiful world which God created is undoubtedly suffering. We can see this even in our little part of the world with extreme temperatures and dramatic flooding. And other parts of the world are becoming uninhabitable causing people to leave their homelands and find new lands to inhabit. The bible tells us that we have been entrusted as stewards of creation, and that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. (1 Corinthians 4:1-2)

When we are reminded of this, it can elicit a dutiful, guilt-ridden promise to tighten our belts, to reduce, reuse, recycle more. These are all good habits, but maybe we need more. Maybe we need to transform our thinking not just our doing, and seek to celebrate life rather than deny it? What would happen if we promised to be present, and listen, really listen (without speaking!) and most of all, allow our hearts to be moved by the suffering of the world? If we worried less about 'me' and more about 'us'? If we fully face and understand the injustices that happen in the margins of society and across the natural world, surely we would be broken open and offer ourselves in service. When we truly know that we belong to the web of interbeing with every other creature on the planet, we might start to confront our fears, to mend the world and not be afraid of spiders!

With love, light and the blessings of Christ
Lissie Bayford



Drawings by Hugh Perks

Prayer Pointers October 2021



Mondays - Give thanks for friends and families and pray for the lonely

Tuesdays - Pray new mothers and their babies, give thanks for new life.

Wednesdays - Give thanks for Christian missionaries and pray for those to whom they minister.

Thursdays - Pray for all affected by the reduction in universal credit.

Fridays - Give thanks for philanthropists, as we remember Lord Shaftesbury who died on 1st October 1885

Saturdays - Pray for those who mourn; from losing a loved one to losing an ability, mental health or way of life.

Sundays - Give thanks to God for the sacrifice of Jesus and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

HUGH PERKS
A Memorial Service for
Hugh will be held in
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2pm on Wednesday
27th October 2021.



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Stalisfield "Holy Gardeners"

On a beautiful Autumnal morning the Stalisfield "Holy Gardeners" met at St. Mary's Churchyard for annual garden maintenance work. A hard morning's work resulted in a beautifully tidy and attractive Churchyard to the pleasure of all. Very many thanks to everyone who came along to help, and to Tina for some very welcome refreshment. All much appreciated!

Jean West



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Otterden and Stalisfield WI.

We held our AGM In September, much later in the year than normal, but at least we were able to have one this year. As a small village group we welcome new members and anyone interested in joining.

If you would like to come and meet us to find out more, we meet at Stalisfield Village Hall usually on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30, with a couple of exceptions during the year.

Our annual wreath making in December is always a date closer to Christmas and we do not hold a meeting in January, but all our meetings are published in The Good News.

We will be finalising our plans for the coming year soon, but if you would like to find out more please contact our president Ellie Cameron on 01795 892016.

Quiz Night

At Stalisfield Village Hall

Saturday 11th December

7pm

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13th OCTOBER at 2.30 pm (doors open from 2.00)

At the Egerton Millennium Hall, Elm Close, TN27 9DS

Toys form an intimate part of our own personal histories, yet they are also universal. Many of the toys we know today were played with in ancient times. The design and the manufacture of toys closely parallel the history of materials, new technologies, trade, marketing, cultural trends and social attitudes to childhood. Whatever changes affect the toys of the future, however, the relationship between creativity and play remains central. Now, as in the past, toys enable children to understand and interpret the environment around them, while exploring their inner, imaginative worlds.

Chloë Sayer has lectured for galleries, museums and cultural institutions around the world. A Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute, she is the author of numerous books. She has made ethnographic collections and carried out fieldwork in Mexico and Belize for the British Museum.

For further details about this and other lectures see our website at <https://theartsocietyegerton.org.uk>

Our Society has a membership of c180 from across a wide area of the Weald and North Downs.

Visitors are welcome at £5. If you join the money will be refunded. Membership costs £40 per annum for individuals and £70 per annum for couples. For further information please contact Christine Willis, our Membership Secretary via cmwillis75@gmail.com or 01233 75637.



Stalisfield Highlife
Stalisfield Village Hall
(All events pending Covid restrictions)

11th Dec 2021 Quiz Night
12th Dec Children's Christmas Party
18th Dec Seniors' Christmas Dinner

2022

11th March Quiz
2nd June Golden Jubilee Celebration
16th July Treasure Hunt
8th October Harvest Supper
9th & 10th Dec Panto
11th Dec Children's Christmas Party
17th Dec Seniors' Christmas Dinner

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Winter Health - Herbal Workshop

Wednesday 13th October, 10.30am - 1.30pm

Herbs and common kitchen foods can be used to support a healthy immune system and help our bodies through the challenges of the colder months. During this workshop, you will learn about several culinary, medicinal, easy to grow herbs and how they can support your body and mind through the winter. Ticket price includes workshop, light refreshments, ingredients and detailed handouts to take home. £45.00 booking required.

Adult Cooking with Fire Workshop

Wednesday 20th October, 10am - 3pm

Spend time in the woods learning how to cook delicious food over fire. The day starts with a tour of the Kitchen Garden where you will pick seasonal ingredients to use in your cooking. You will use a variety of cooking equipment and styles, including how to bake using Dutch ovens. You will also learn how to build a fire, manage it and control the heat.

£80.00 per person, booking required. Lunch and refreshments included.

Half-Term Activities: Sun Printing (Cyanotypes)

Wednesday 27th October, 12 - 1.30pm

Using pre-prepared paper, children collect leaves and flowers from the garden to act as the resist. They decide on their design, set it out on the paper, then take it outside and wait for the sun to work its magic. It's a bit science-y and a bit arty and you can have any colour you want, as long as it's blue!

Suitable for ages 6+. £13.00 per child, booking required.

Half-Term Activities: Screen Printing for Teenagers

Wednesday 27th October, 2.30 - 4pm

Using plants from the garden as inspiration children design and learn how to create stencil resists and print a bold image. They will learn the basics of screen printing and use professional tools and equipment to print onto a tote bag that they will want to use again and again. Suitable for ages 13+. £13 per child, booking required.



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On the Wind Torn Path

by Audrey Keen

*Though I hurried on the wind torn path
And many bended boughs forced me to look
their way,*

*Even captured as I was by nature's wrath
Thoughts of you stayed with me on that day:*

*As I silently swept back tears - confused
I likened my fate to the wood, ill-used,
For the wind tore angrily at her heart then
And forced the leaves to fall again.*

*But when the anguished element quelled
And the trees in their nakedness rebelled
The hurt in me seemed to quieten too
And I smiled again when I thought of you.*

*But as nature sent the sun to caress
The bruised limbs of the trees distressed
I saw good fortune colour each bough
So the woods beam bright with happiness now,
And I need not wait for I know, you see,
Just how very much you mean to me.*



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Sunday Services

subject to Covid restrictions and
ministry team availability

3rd October Trinity 18

1 Timothy 6. 6 - 10, Matthew 6. 25 - 33

Eastling 10.30am Harvest Festival with
Communion

Wychling 4pm Harvest Festival

10th October Trinity 19

Hebrews 4. 12 - 16, Mark 10. 17 - 31

Stalisfield 10.30am Harvest Festival

Throwley 10.30am Morning Worship

Newnham 10.30am Holy Communion

17th October Trinity 20

Hebrews 5. 1 - 10, Mark 10. 35 - 45

Eastling 10.30am Morning Worship

Norton 10.30am Holy Communion

24th October Last Sunday of Trinity

Hebrews 7. 23 - 28, Mark 10. 46 - 52

Throwley 10.30am Holy Communion

Newnham 10.30am Morning Worship

31st October 4th Sunday before Advent

Hebrews 9. 11 - 14, Mark 12. 28 - 34

Eastling 10.30am Benefice Communion

Tuesday 2nd November

Stalisfield 7pm All Souls' Service

7th November 3rd Sunday before Advent

Hebrews 9. 24 - 28, Mark 1. 14 - 20

Eastling 10.30am Holy Communion

Online Daily Worship Continues

As well as the services in our churches, the daily
9am Morning Prayer at Lynsted will continue
and be live online on

www.kingsdowncreekside.co.uk - also on the
YouTube Channel 'Breakthrough at Lynsted'.

More information is updated weekly on

St Mary's Eastling 'A Church Near You':
<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11982/>

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From The Registers

Wedding

Rosie Baker and Edward Hadaway
4th September 2021 at Otterden

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Carols in Eastling Church

In preparation for our Christmas Eve Carol Service, choir practices will be on Sunday evenings, 5 - 6pm on 14th and 28th November and 5th, 12th and 19th December.

All voice parts welcome.



Spring forward, Fallback



The Clocks go back one hour at 2am on Sunday 31st October

CHRISTMAS TREES 2021

Regrettably, last year we had to close the Christmas Tree plantation due to the worsening Covid-19 pandemic.

This year, as long as we can all stick to safety precautions, you will be very welcome to come and choose a tree.

We're asking people to visit to initially select a tree in a safe environment, starting from now in September.

We'd appreciate you contacting us to fix an individual and exclusive date and time to come and look at trees - you'd then return to collect in December.

The weather this year has ensured excellent tree growth, and getting your Christmas tree this way is a great way to support your parish and over 20 charities.

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Thank You Colin

Eastling Parish Council has been delighted to present Colin Bell with a Kent Association of

Local Councils (KALC) community award. This award recognises voluntary work for the benefit of the parish. In Colin's case we have thanked him for his carpentry work for the church and village hall. In addition the Parish Council has commissioned a photograph of St Mary's Church Eastling, taken by local photographer David Jenner, as the community's personal note of thanks to Colin.

The photographs show the KALAC community award and the photograph of St Mary's Church given to Colin in September 2021.



Eastling Gardeners' Club
meets on
Thursday, 14th October
Dr John Hughes will give a talk
'The RHS Garden at Wisley'
The meeting takes place in Eastling village hall and starts at 7.30pm, followed by wine and homemade nibbles.
The meeting is free to members. Non-members are asked to pay £4

KCC Member for Swale East - September Report

HIGHSTED PARK

Since late July the topic that has generated more mails than any other has been regarding a speculative planning application known to most as Highsted Park. It's understandable that so many residents in Swale East are concerned by this enormous application. If it goes ahead it would more than double the number of households in the Swale East KCC division, and would change the character of many of the villages in the West Downs and Teynham & Lynsted wards beyond recognition.

I think there are a few important reasons why this application should not go ahead. First and foremost is that the people of Swale East simply do not want it. Back in 2019, the previous administration at Swale Borough Council was going through the early stages of revising their 2017 Bearing Fruits local plan. They had put forward the idea of 'Garden Villages' and in March of that year it appeared that the council's leader had given his backing to the scheme at Highsted Park. In the local elections just a few weeks later, the Conservative run council were dramatically voted out of power.

The concerns which have been most frequently cited in objections to the application include:-

The lack of GP provision – Swale was widely reported as having the worst GP to patient ratio in the country a couple of years ago and the problem is one of a failure to recruit new staff, so not necessarily fixable by the building of a new medical centre.

Traffic along the A2 and Air Quality – although the crux of this proposal is the building of a 'relief road' to reduce traffic through Sittingbourne, it seems likely to me that this may have detrimental effects to other parts of the A2 corridor, especially the Air Quality Management Areas at Teynham and Ospringe. It is well documented* that new roads often increase car use in the local area so even before the 9,000+ houses are built we may see very little in the way of traffic relief.

* an internet search on "induced traffic" will provide further reading on this.

Loss of high grade agricultural land – we are lucky in North Kent to have some of the best agricultural land in the country, much of which is grade 1 and 2. Faversham is home to the national fruit collection and Teynham is famously the home of the first cherry orchards in the country. The rich soils here and warm summers are perfect for growing fruit and, at a point in time when food security is becoming an ever more pressing issue, to pour concrete over hundreds of hectares of some of the best land in the country would be an incredibly short sighted thing to do.

Water supply and disposal – seemingly every summer now we are urged by Southern Water to conserve water supplies during periods of hot weather. Building on top of aquifers will both reduce the amount of water available and increase demand at the same time. In addition to this we have seen in the news this year that Southern Water simply discharge raw sewage into our local waterways when they can't keep up with the demand. To have such a massive amount of development taking place in a relatively small area would surely only further exacerbate that problem.

On top of the issues listed above, many more are frequently cited by local residents, including the loss of trees, loss of biodiversity, concerns over light pollution and the effect that this will have on wildlife, and the fact that if it went ahead, this development would effectively join a number of villages which date back to before the Domesday Book into one large suburb of Sittingbourne.

In the days to come I will be submitting an objection to KCC in my capacity as a councillor and also a personal one as a Swale resident to the borough council via their planning portal. I hope that the local residents are finally listened to and that this application is shelved.

Rich Lehmann – KCC Member for Swale East
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Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Village Warden

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Now we are approaching the firework season I would request that residents holding firework parties etc be courteous and inform other people in their locality so that they may make preparations with their animals to not cause any unnecessary distress. There have been a couple of instances over the last few weeks where these courtesies were not followed.

On the subject of animals being distressed it is very important for dogs to wear collar with a name tag. It is breaking the law for them not to wear one and very often if a dog is found without a tag the dog warden is called and the dog will end up in kennels causing again unnecessary distress.

As probably noticed there are quite a few pheasants and partridges running around. Unfortunately this brings in certain persons to the area who think they can do a bit of poaching. These birds do belong to the Belmont estate and it is an offence to steal them, please notify the police, the gamekeeper or give me a call if you see anything suspicious.

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Many churches employ children's workers or youth leaders – but how many have appointed people to minister specifically to the older people in their congregation and beyond?

In St Albans, north of London, two Methodist churches have joined together to recruit an 'Anna Chaplain' to help meet the needs of seniors in local church congregations and beyond.

The new role is part of a growing network of Anna Chaplains, named after the widow, Anna, who appears in Luke's gospel as a good role model of a faithful older person.

The development comes as charities that work with older people have published research which how badly the pandemic has impacted those aged 60 and above, and raised questions about how well they will 'bounce back' after Covid-19.

Age UK has called on the Government to give the NHS and social care services extra resources to help older people make the best possible recovery. With coronavirus now hopefully in retreat in the UK, the charity has also appealed to the wider

Meeting the needs of older people
These days there seems to be a day for everything, including the United Nations' 'International day for Older Persons', which is observed on 1st October. So perhaps October is a good month to think about meeting the needs of older people in church.

public to keep supporting the older people in their lives.

It said: "The impact of the pandemic on the health and wellbeing of some older people in early 2021 is so demonstrably severe that it raises big questions over whether they will be able to 'bounce back'."

Against this background, Maggie Dodd, the first Anna Chaplain in Hertfordshire, explained: "Our vision is that older people are cherished and supported within their church communities, and also beyond, in the wider community.

"Often you have people who used to attend church, and they've become a little more frail and not able to attend or they've moved to a care home or sheltered housing,

and they just lose touch with what's going on. They're not able to take themselves to church anymore."

The work of Anna Chaplains includes ministry in care homes and other settings where older people live or gather. At this time of year, some churches organise 'holiday at home' projects and activities for seniors in their area.

Anna Chaplains are a ministry of Christian charity, BRF (Bible Reading Fellowship) who have a vision "to see an Anna Chaplain in every small and medium-sized community in the country, and for the Anna Chaplain name to become synonymous with spiritual care for older people."



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A ten-year-old girl has launched a national petition asking the Department for Education to introduce an annual fundraising day for animals in schools across the country.

Bailey Woozeer proposes that World Animal Day, held annually on October 4, would be an ideal opportunity for schools to support both British and international animal welfare charities through events such as non-uniform days.

Schools and animal welfare organisations have quickly given the idea a 'phenomenal' response, and her petition has attracted over 27,000 signatures.

Bailey, from Doncaster, said: "Why are the nationwide fundraising days always about helping humans?

Animals are desperate and suffering and many species are nearly extinct. They need our help. Please sign and share my petition, because one school fundraising day a year, for the animals around our planet, is something that should already be happening."

Petition for annual national fundraising day for animals

Like most charities, animal welfare organisations have faced a

financial crisis during the past 15 months. Their income has been hit by a lack of fundraising events due to social distancing guidelines, charity shop closures during lockdown and donors reassessing their priorities.

To sign the petition, go to: <https://www.change.org/p/department-for-education-introduce-a-yearly-fundraising-day-for-animals-in-schools> Find out more about World Animal Day and how to get involved: worldanimalday.org.uk



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Autumn Prayer

By Daphne Kitching

Dear Loving, Father God,

As the season changes and we enjoy the beautiful colours of autumn, there are other changes which we don't enjoy. Changes we cannot control; changes and suffering in the world, beyond our comprehension; changes to our work routines, or health, or circumstances; changes which cause us anxiety and uncertainty. When everything seems to be falling around us like the autumn leaves, help us, Lord, to remember that you stand firm. You are our rock. You never change. You are always faithful, always with us, as we move into each new day and each new season. Thank you for loving us so much that you gave us Jesus, so that by putting our trust in Him, we can know the security of your love, for ever!

In His name, we thank you, Sovereign Lord. Amen



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Eastling School News

We were delighted to welcome all our children, families and staff back to school for what we hope is a more normal year ahead. Our new Reception children have settled in very well to school life and we are excited to be part of their journey over the next seven years. We are delighted to have a number of children who have joined us across the school.

The school is now able to reintroduce pre covid routines as the bubble system has been taken away from schools. Our year 6 children are delighted to be able to buddy the new Reception children supporting our newest children in school life. It is wonderful to have all our children back playing together and not having to stay apart from the other key stage.

The after-school clubs are back and are proving as popular as ever. We are delighted to be working with Charlton Athletic again this year with coach Colin. He has already been working with our sports leaders to train them to support the younger children. Oak class have started their weekly swimming lessons at Faversham Pool having previously missed out on swimming due to Covid.

Acorn class have already enjoyed two visits to Eastling woods which is wonderful. Birch class enjoyed a visit to Whitstable on Tuesday 14th September where they explored the nature reserve looking for seeds. On Friday 24th September the school will be working with Wild Classrooms as part of our outdoor learning day. There are some wonderful delights planned including chicken stew, meatballs and flapjacks.

The school has a couple of spaces available for an immediate start. Any prospective parents looking for a Reception place for September 2022 are welcome to call the office on 01795 890252 to arrange a visit.

For further information please visit our school website where photographs and newsletters are displayed and updated regularly.

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They said, "*Master, mater, we are going to drown!*"

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in *Mark 4: 35-41*

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