



June 2019

I am writing this during Mental Health Awareness week. I have to say there is a certain irony to the fact that it also coincides with the Year 6 SATS exams! I know that at Grayswood School the teaching staff work extremely hard to help each child reach their full potential – but the SATS only assess one specific area of that potential – their academic ability. For many people, myself included, exams can be real stumbling block. Put me in a room with someone and ask me to talk about what I know then I'm fine. Sit me at a desk, in a hall, in silence and my mind goes blank. Even writing that 34 years after I sat my last exam brings me out in a cold sweat! The bible tells us 'the Holy Spirit produces love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility, and self-control.' None of these can be assessed by an exam – yet as far as I am concerned, they are more important than any qualification. Parents let your children know that their value isn't based on their results. And any adults who may still have hang ups about what qualifications they did or didn't get at school – know that God loves every one of us just as we are.



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Good Book Morning
at 'Corner Cottage' 77
Lower Road

10.30 am—midday
4th Monday
of every month



Do join us for
coffee and lively

Toddler Group
Wednesday mornings
(term-time)
from 9.15-10.45 am
in the OJ Room, Village
Hall
For details please ring
Jane White, 643891
£2.50 per family unit



THOUGHTS ON BEEKEEPING.....

After the icy start to March, April was a month to truly lift the spirits! The spring bulbs made an appearance, buds broke and early garden flowers gave a promise of what was to come. The very cold weather early in the year seems a long time ago now and whereas I could switch the heating on, my bees struggled. The old winter bees were reaching the end of their lives but trying to raise the hive temperature to bring the queen into laying once more. On top of that, they then needed to be able to feed and keep the brood warm so that there was a new generation ready to go for the new season. Unfortunately, pollen and nectar sources can be virtually nil in cold weather, so when the foragers were tempted out on milder days, they use fuel but find all the petrol stations closed!!

So, my request for those of you as you browse the gardening centres and plant catalogues is to please consider flowers that provide early pollen and nectar – crocuses, snowdrops, aconites (which always disappear in my garden), heathers, hazel, mahonia and flowering currant. Pollinators are also grateful during the summer for open, simple flowers, herbs and even dandelions. Ivy is an important last ditch feeding station in late autumn, so please don't chop all of it down. It hosts a wide range of wildlife.

Another, final, request. When we are all in full-gardening flow, fighting pests and diseases on every front, please consider delaying any spraying until the evening of a calm day, when pollinators will not be flying. Enjoy your garden and say "hello" to any bees. If they are misbehaving, they are certainly not mine.

Di Cook



HOME GROUP

Wednesdays at 8pm

We always begin with coffee and cake and end with prayer. Alongside our bible study, the real strength of the group lies in its fellowship and caring for one another as well as being informal and lots of fun. Everyone is welcome so please do join us one month and see for yourself.



GRAYSWOOD COFFEE AND CHAT

in the Village Club

10.30 - 12 noon

12th June

Every 2nd Wednesday
of the month

For more information,
contact Di on 654303 or
07769 971720 or
drdcook01@gmail.com



GARBLED COINS

Garbled coins are obsolete coins of any denomination which are no longer in circulation.



Many readers will know (and have no doubt contributed) that since we started raising for the roof repair way back in 2014, we have had small buckets placed strategically around the church and village hall during refreshments after the service and have encouraged people to put their 'loose change' into them. We have raised over £1200.

Among these coins there have been American dollars, Euros, Australian cents, Channel Island coins and of course obsolete English coins. I have a good collection of round £1 coins, the first 50 pence coins, old pennies, halfpennies, old ½ pence, farthings and threepenny bits. Unfortunately each denomination has to be made up to the correct amount acceptable to the bank, before they can be exchanged for current coins! So, I need for example 10 x £1 coins, 240 old pennies etc.

Can you help? Why not have a late spring turnout? Any English coins will be welcomed. Please either bring them into church or give them to a neighbour friend to bring.

Many thanks, Shirley Richmond

Discussion Group

2nd Mondays, from 8 pm (contact Fi on 654728)

Occasionally we have a topic to discuss in advance but often it comes about from something an individual would like to learn more about. We have had some lively discussions and often divert from the original topic. It is a great



opportunity to get to know people and to explore ideas in a safe and friendly environment.



FILM NIGHT



Barbecue and film night

Saturday, June 8th

Doors open **6.30pm**

£6 - includes a burger
and a hot-dog

Film Night is held at The Grayswood Club



GRAYSWOOD
Nursery and Forest School

We have been welcoming parents and children for 38 years and have always strived to be at the forefront of educational practice.

As the first recognised Forest School Provider in Surrey, we embrace the power of using the natural world as an education tool. We have been lucky enough to obtain exclusive use of a beautiful woodland in Grayswood and we've worked hard to transform the site into a centre of natural learning, where the children can explore, play and socialise all year round. We have now obtained funding to construct a permanent new shelter on-site, where we can safely store our tools and provide the children with sanctuary from the weather. This is being built for us using local wood and resources.

Come along to see this wonderful learning environment first hand

Sunday 9 June ~ 2.30 - 4.30

Open Afternoon at Autumn Woods, Muddy Lane

Come and visit the nursery at Autumn Woods and see what work is taking place to preserve the field and woodland. Refreshments available. Bring a picnic, play in the woodland, help plant our orchard and explore this beautiful environment on your doorstep. Meet the team building our new shelter

For more information: info@grayswoodnurseryschool.co.uk

COFFEE AFTER CHURCH ...

Each week we have coffee in the village hall after church and the money we give for our cup of coffee is all given to a charity. We have four main charities we support in this way during the year. In April, May and June it is CMS that we are supporting and in particular our Mission Partners Jimmy and Katia who are serving in Brazil in Florianópolis with their two young children Joanna and Davi. In their April Newsletter they write:

Our challenges include finding a new, larger space for the church to meet, and strengthening the core group charged with planting a new congregation more centrally in the city. We also need to boost our financial support. Please pray for our support as a family, that God would supply our needs. Please also pray for protection, good health & that we would stay close to Jesus.

Judy Culhane



Contact: 07769 856343 or allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com Next deadline: 15th June

Grayswood Forest Wellbeing Afternoon

21st July

Come and spend an afternoon exercising and relaxing with Tai Chi, Yoga, PT session through the forest, mindful drawing, bowl meditation and vegan picnics around the camp fire.

All abilities welcome. Tickets £45
from goodnesswellbeing@outlook.com

**June WI Meeting****The Great Grayswood****Victoria Sandwich Bake-Off**

Who doesn't love a Victoria Sandwich? Join us at our June meeting - we'd welcome any of you who wish to show off and share your own Victoria Sandwich creation!

All in the name of fun, our members on the night will be tasting and choosing their favourites (there'll even be GF available).

Those wishing to bake, please stick to the following criteria:

- * 4 eggs max
- * 2 sponges max
- * 8 inch / 20cm round cake tin

Wednesday, 12 June 2019
from 19:45-22:00
at Grayswood Village Hall



THE FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS GRAYSWOOD

HOG ROAST & BARN DANCE

**GRAYSWOOD VILLAGE HALL****SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2019****ALL AGES WELCOME****ADVANCE TICKETS:****ADULTS £18; UNDER 14s £12****RAFFLE AND BAR**

If the weather is good,
come and join us on The Green
at 8pm for the Barn Dance only.
Adults £10; under 14s £5

Contact Pauline on: lamb@haslemere.com
or 01428 643798

This June the Governors of Grayswood C of E Primary School are hosting a fabulous online auction event with something for everyone!

You can access the auction site at

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/grayswoodschoolauctionofpromises>



The auction will run from 1st - 16th June, giving all willing participants time to review the lots and place their bids!

Our goal is to raise key funds to complete necessary capital projects at our beloved village school, such as window replacement and repairs to the building fabric. We really do have some fantastic lots on offer, including holidays, meals, personal styling and much more.

Please bid generously, share the link with friends and support such a fantastic local cause.

CHURCH SERVICES in JUNE

All 10 am services at All Saints Grayswood unless otherwise stated

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| 2nd | 8 am | Holy Communion (St Christopher's) |
| | 10 am | All Age Parish Communion |
| 9th | 8 am | Holy Communion (All Saints) |
| | 10 am | Parish Communion for PENTECOST |
| 16th | 8 am | Holy Communion (St Christopher's) |
| | 10 am | Parish Communion |
| 23rd | 8 am | Holy Communion (All Saints) |
| | 10 am | All Age Morning Worship |
| 30th | 8 am | Holy Communion (St Barts) |
| | 10 am | United Benefice Service Celtic Communion in the Village Hall |

VILLAGE PRAYER

In June, we remember worshippers who live beyond the parish boundary



Do you need space to escape the busyness of life? Whether you want to pray, give thanks or find hope in times of despair, our beautiful Grade II listed church is open for you every day from around 9am until dusk in winter, and until 6pm in summer.

Would you like us to pray for you? God hears you, but it is good to know you have other people who care, joining with you! Phone us, email us, add your name to the book at the back of church, pop a note into Church House, or ask someone to pass a message on. A first name is all we need and confidences are ALWAYS respected.

Would you like a home visit or to speak with a priest?

Rev'd Fi Gwynn works part-time. Fi's day off is Friday.

Tel 01428 654728 or 07929 935179

Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com

Baptism? Wedding? Funeral? Please contact the church office on 07769 856343 in the first instance.

Do you have a general enquiry? Our church office is based in the church, is open Mon and Thurs mornings from 9am -12 noon for general enquiries and is staffed by our administrator Sarah Bennett.

At other times you can still leave a message or send an email.

Tel: 07769 856343 Email: allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

For more information, please visit our new website:

allsaintsgrayswood.org

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SOCIABLE SCRABBLE

in aid of The Children's Society

Wednesday 29th May 2019

from 2 to 5pm

All abilities welcome

Refreshments are provided

Free entry but donations welcome

St Alban's Church Hall, Tilford Road,
Beacon Hill, Hindhead, GU26 6PZ

Contact Alison: 01252 794949

GARDENING CLUB

Grandmas and Grandpas - Would you like to pass on your gardening knowledge to the next generation?

Join us at Grayswood School Gardening Club.

Every Wednesday afternoon, 3.15 - 4.15 during term time but you don't have to come every week!

Contact Janet Dallas:
janetdallas54@gmail.com
or 01428 643227

**EVENTS IN JUNE****In the Village Club:**

Gardening Club: Thurs 6th June at 7.45 pm Mr Darren Everest will be discussing dahlias

Coffee and Chat: Wednesday 12th June from 10.30—12 noon with homemade cake—drop in any time

Book Club: Third Tuesday (19th June) at 8 pm we will be reading 'The Honorary Consul' by Graham Greene

Film night: Saturday 6th June doors open 6.30, showing Shadowlands. Entry £6 to include hot dog/burger

Quiz night: Thursday 27th June at 7.45 pm—shake up those brain cells

In the Village Hall:

Toddler Group: Wednesday mornings in term-time from 9.15-10.45, contact Jane White on 643891

77 Lower Road:

Good Book Morning: 4th Monday in the month 10.30 am—midday

HASLEMERE FOOD BANK

Thanks to all the generous donations we have we currently ONLY need:

- ◆ Tinned Stew
- ◆ Tinned Ham
- ◆ Tinned Custard
- ◆ Shampoo
- ◆ Couscous

Thank you for your ongoing support

**Friends of Grayswood School**

invite all the grown ups to a special Summer fundraising evening in the Hall featuring our very own Year 4 teaching superstar

Mr Chris Hackshall and his band

The Genuine Counterfeits!

Cash bar with local beer and wine, and special guests local micro-distillery Village Spirit Collective! Fabulous cooking duo Jenny Beard and Jane Cookman from Eat me or Keep Me will be serving up a delicious **curry supper** - chicken or veggie options available.

Doors open at 7.30pm on Friday 7th June

Tickets are £15 pp, including entry and your curry, in advance ONLY. Pay by PayPal via the Ticket Tailor link <http://buytickets.at/thefriendsofgrayswoodschool/261944>

**USEFUL NUMBERS**

Village Hall Bookings:
grayswoodvh@outlook.com

Grayswood Club: 07748 065 821

Grayswood School : 642086

Grayswood Nursery : 658931

Wheatsheaf : 644440