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**Prison population in England & Wales\***

94,129

**Children with a parent in prison\***

The week of the 13th-19th October this year is Prisons Week. For most of us prison is just a place that we read about and see on tv in news reports and documentaries.

We tend to associate prison with the high-profile cases of murder, rape and high value robberies. But there are many people in prison today who are there because they have been unable to pay bills, have traffic offences or have been caught stealing food or clothing for their children.

Whatever has taken them into prison I can guarantee they would not be there out of choice!

As part of my training I spent a week in the women's prison in Send (only during the day – I was lucky I came home every night!). That experience taught me never to underestimate the importance of freedom. To be able to leave my house whenever I like. To make a cup of tea whenever I like. To watch TV or go on the computer or pick up the phone and call my family and friends – whenever I like. You get the message.

'What does freedom mean to you?' is the slogan that is being used for their campaign this year and I would encourage you to go to <https://prisonsweek.org/> to look at what they are doing.

We also need to think about the wider aspect of prisons week. How victims are affected, how the families and children of prisoners are affected. There are currently 94,129 children in this country who have a parent in prison – children who may well be bullied because of their parents' actions.

There will be prayer leaflets at the back of the church for prisons week and I would encourage you to go and collect one so that you can pray alongside me for all those affected in a myriad of different ways.

With love, Fi x

\*As at July 2019

### **All Saints Harvest Festival Service**

Sunday 6th October, 10 am

**HARVEST GIFTS** - This year we are again hoping to donate as many non-perishable items as possible, of those brought to the Harvest Services, to Haslemere Food Bank, which meets the needs of many within our local community. Financial gifts will be donated to Send A Cow, a charity supporting farming communities in Africa.



## **October 2019**

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  
discussions

**Toddler Group**  
Wednesday mornings  
(term-time)

from 9.15-10.45 am  
in the OJ Room  
in the Village Hall

For details please ring  
Jane White, 643891  
£2.50 per family unit



### **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

**9th October**

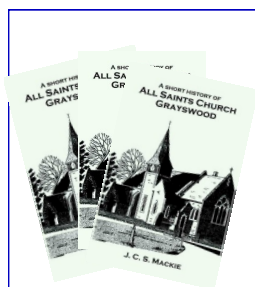
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday  
of the month

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### All Saints Church Grayswood - a short history by James Mackie

*"Surrey never ceases to surprise. Just when you think you've got it summed up something turns up to make you re-think. Who would have expected to find in a*

*pleasant but not otherwise outstanding village a church built by a Swedish naval architect?" So wrote a passing journalist in 1992*

"This short history attempts to describe how this unusual church was built, and how it has come to play such an important and central part in the village. Every artefact and practically every stone tells a story. Nothing is there by chance. However, the church is more than bricks and mortar. All Saints Church, Grayswood, has been maintained not only as an edifice, but as a centre of social and charitable Christian life by the enthusiasm and dedication of the people, laity and clergy who have served and supported it. Some of these are mentioned, but there are many more who are not, and many to whom it has not been possible to do full justice."

**We have a limited number of copies of this book for sale from the Church Office priced at £10**

**Please email: [allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com) or leave a message on 01428 656504 if you would like to purchase a copy**

Paperback - 166 pp - JCS Mackie - Oct 2014 (rev. ed)



### Friends of Grayswood School Community Cream Tea

*Would you like to visit your local school?*

*We would love to meet you, especially if you were a pupil here in the past!*

**On Friday 18th October at 1.30pm**  
*we are holding a community cream tea and we would love you to join us.*

*Tickets are £4 per person. Please let us know in advance that you plan to come either by emailing [grayswoodfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:grayswoodfrogs@gmail.com) or by leaving a message at the school office.*

*If you have old photos of Grayswood or Grayswood school we would love to see them and to share your stories of bygone Grayswood.*

*Hope to see you there*

### QUIZ NIGHT - CHANGE OF DATE

**Now: November 8th**

Doors open: 7.45 — Quiz starts: 8.15

£15 per person include chilli supper. Cash bar

Bring a team of 8 players or  
form a team on the night

Contact: [grayswoodfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:grayswoodfrogs@gmail.com) for more details

Hosted by Governors and Friends of Grayswood School

### HASLEMERE HOSPITAL MINOR INJURIES UNIT

There is now an NHS proposal to close all Minor Injuries Units and to replace only some of them with new Urgent Care Centres, each under the leadership of a GP, which would be open on seven days a week for at least twelve hours a day. Those of us who have used the existing MIU at Haslemere have appreciated this facility and the professionalism of its Emergency Nurse Practitioners and other staff. The Unit has also helped to take pressure off the very busy Royal Surrey A & E Department, in particular. It's used by patients in parts of Hampshire and West Sussex, as well as South West Surrey. The only real complaint has been that it is not open in the evenings and at weekends.

The nearest major hospitals to Haslemere are at Guildford, Portsmouth and Chichester. There is an obvious case for the Haslemere facility to be upgraded. It's well located between Guildford and Portsmouth, near the A3. A good GPs practice and an ambulance Station are next door. It has excellent staff, an X-ray dept and physiotherapists. These are firm foundations on which to build a Haslemere Urgent Care Centre.

The Guildford and Waverley Clinical Commissioning Group are starting the engagement and consultation process. **Please make your views known** by emailing [gwccg.info@nhs.net](mailto:gwccg.info@nhs.net) and watch out for news of further local meetings, following the initial one on 16th September, which was well attended, though unfortunately not well advertised.

*Allen Chubb*



All Saints Christmas Fayre  
Saturday 7 December  
11.00am – 1.30pm  
Grayswood Village Hall



It's that time of the year again and we are putting together our plans for the Christmas Fayre.

Any brocante, unwanted gifts (check in your cupboards for unused treasures from those birthdays and Christmases past!!) and, nearer the time, cakes and plants, would be gratefully received.

Please support us and help  
make this a great success again.

Contact Di (01428 654303; drdcook01@gmail.co.uk)

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INSPIRING WOMEN



Join us and join in the fun with some Indoor Curling at our October Meeting. Most if not all of us will be first-timers at this event!

Refreshments will be available as always.

Wednesday, 9 October 2019

from 19:45-22:00

at Grayswood Village Hall

### SKILLWAY VOCATIONAL WORKSHOP

All Saints Church has been kind and generous enough to support Skillway for many years as one of its quarterly missions.

Skillway is a charity based in Godalming working with schools in the Waverley Borough area and beyond, including Rodborough, Woolmer Hill and Bohunt. Our aim is to support students at the upper end of secondary school, who are inclined towards practical interests, such as, woodwork & joinery, metalwork & engineering, arts & crafts and specialist subjects such as stone carving and stained glass work. Often our students are not geared for the bias towards academic study and find school quite overwhelming.

In our converted chapel workshops in Godalming we offer to replace one school day a week with an entirely practical environment. Working in small groups, in our safe and supportive setting they produce some marvellous projects by using their hands and new found skills, under the supportive and watchful eye of our band of faithful volunteers. This maybe the first time they will have enjoyed success at something within a learning scenario.

Students can be with us up to 3 years on a day release scheme from school. This often leads them onto a successful application and entrance into technical college, such as Brooklands College and Merrist Wood, or directly into a vocational job.

Ultimately our goal is to lift their confidence and self esteem to empower them to be positive about their future, safe in the knowledge that they are good at something and have a skill and a self worth to be proud of.

We collectively believe at Skillway, the trustees, staff and volunteers that intervention into our supportive, encouraging and understanding organisation can only be of benefit to children who struggle with school.

To enable us to do this, we rely predominantly on the continued support from the local community, be it financially or practically as a volunteer. For further information on supporting Skillway in any way, please email me at [workshop@skillway.net](mailto:workshop@skillway.net)

Greg Bleach, General Manager

# SKILLWAY





**CHURCH SERVICES in OCTOBER**

All services at All Saints unless otherwise stated

<b>6th</b>	8 am	Holy Communion (St Christopher's)
	10 am	HARVEST for All Ages
<b>13th</b>	8am	Holy Communion
	10 am	Parish Communion
<b>20th</b>	8 am	Holy Communion (St Christopher's)
	10 am	Parish Communion
<b>27th</b>	8 am	Holy Communion
	10 am	All Age Morning Worship

**VILLAGE PRAYER**

In October, we remember those who live in Lower Road, Park Close and Ash Tree Close.



**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 the box in the church porch, 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 / 07929 935179 Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com

**Baptism? Wedding? Funeral?** Please contact the church office on 07769 856343 or 01428 656504 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: 01428 656504

Email: allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

For more information, please visit our new website:

**allsaintsgrayswood.org**

**Cards for Good Causes**

**Thursday 17th October – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
& Sunday 1st December**

Haslemere Educational Museum

Monday – Saturday 10am – 4.30pm & Sunday 1 December: 11am – 4pm

Contact: 01428 642112

Haslemere Cards for Good Causes is a multi-charity Christmas card shop selling cards (many with a religious theme) on behalf of 30 national and local charities including GUTS, Phyllis Tuckwell and the Fountain Centre. Helped by the support of local volunteers we are able to give a very high return to these charities. We also stock advent calendars, wrapping paper, tags, stocking fillers and other traditional gifts.

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

**Gardening Club:** 3rd October  
- A talk on Munstead Wood Garden with Annabel Watts

**Coffee and Chat:** Wednesday 9th October from 10.30—12 noon with homemade cake—drop in any time

**Book Club:** Third Tuesday (15th Oct) at 8 pm we will be reading 'The Time Traveler's Wife' by Audrey Niffenegger

**Quiz night:** Thursday 3rd October at 7.45 pm—shake up those brain cells

**In the Village Hall:**

**Toddler Group:** Weds in term-time from 9.15-10.45 am, call 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 your regular donations we currently **ONLY** need the following:

- ◆ Shampoo
- ◆ Toothpaste
- ◆ Tinned fruit
- ◆ Tinned stew
- ◆ Tinned meatballs / Tinned hot dogs
- ◆ Tinned macaroni / Tinned ravioli
- ◆ Small jars of coffee
- ◆ Jars of jam or marmalade
- ◆ Packets of rice
- ◆ Drinking chocolate

*Thank you for your ongoing support*

**Macmillan Coffee Morning**

10.30 to 12.30 at  
The Village Club on  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October

In addition to the delicious refreshments there will be a raffle and a sale of second hand books and jigsaw puzzles.

**YOU'RE INVITED**



**WE ARE  
MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT**

**USEFUL NUMBERS**

Village Hall Bookings:  
grayswoodvh@outlook.com

Grayswood Club: 07808 474147

Grayswood School : 642086

Grayswood Nursery : 658931

Wheatsheaf : 644440