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*Bridges in Porto
by David Turner*

Visits: If you would like the Vicar to visit you at home or in hospital, or know of anyone who would like him to visit them, please let the Vicar know.

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From the Vicarage Study

Rev. Neil McLeod,

Priest-in-Charge of Newport with Widdington, Quendon and Rickling.

Welcome back to *The Link* magazine after what turned out to be a very hot summer. I hope that you managed to deal with the heat and enjoy the summer months. There are four special events coming up that I'd like to draw your attention to this month.



Our Harvest Festival service will be held on Sunday 14th October at 11.00am in Quendon Church. As is our custom we will be collecting tinned or dried goods which will be donated to Streets2Homes which is a charity in Harlow supporting homeless people. We will also be donating our cash offering that day to a charity, and the PCC have chosen to support the relief effort in the Philippines.

Do you struggle to keep children amused over half-term? On Wednesday 24th October we will be showing the classic C.S. Lewis story 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' in the village hall at 2.00pm. We ask that adults please stay with their children to watch the movie, which is rated Parental Guidance. There are parallels between the story and the life of Jesus, which I shall briefly speak about after the film has ended.



Once again this year the church invites you to remember those loved ones who have died. The Commemoration Service will be in Newport Church on Sunday 4th November at 6.00pm. There will be an opportunity to write something about the people you are remembering. At the end of the service you can, if you wish, light a candle for them. It is not just for those who are recently bereaved, but is open to everyone.

This November marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. Our main Service of Remembrance in Newport will reflect that. As is our custom we gather outside the church by the war memorial for our Act of Remembrance beginning just before 11.00am when we are silent. This is followed by our service in church.

That evening at 6.00pm in Quendon we will have a service of communion during which the names of the fallen will also be read out.



I hope to see you at either one or more of the events that we will be holding.

Neil

In Remembrance.

Andrew McFarlane our good friend and organist at Quendon & Rickling Church for more than 25 years, died on 9th August 2018. He was buried in Quendon Churchyard beside his wife, Gwen.

Andrew had a life-long experience as an organist and choir master and we were privileged to have his services for so many years.

We will greatly miss his presence, and his contribution to our music, in our Sunday worship.

Priest in Charge of Newport with Widdington and Quendon and Rickling.

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Treasurer - **Quendon and Rickling:** Mrs Sandra Arnold 01799 543075

Church Services in the Benefice

Sunday 7th October

9.30am Newport Contemporary Communion
 11.00am Widdington Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 14th October

8.30am Widdington BCP Communion
 9.30am Newport Harvest Festival Service
11.00am Quendon Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 21st October

9.30am Newport Morning Worship
 11.00am Widdington Holy Communion

Sunday 28th October

8.00am Newport BCP Communion
 9.30am Newport Holy Communion
11.00am Rickling Holy Communion

Sunday 4th November

9.30am Newport Family Service
 11.00am Widdington Shoebox Service
 6.00pm Newport Commemoration Service

Sunday 11th November

11.00am Newport Remembrance Day Service
6.00pm Quendon BCP Communion, inc.
Reading the Names of the Fallen

Sunday 18th November

9.30am Newport Holy Communion
 11.00am Widdington Holy Communion

** Christmas Fayre this afternoon in the Village Hall **

Sunday 25th November

8.00am Newport BCP communion
 9.30am Newport Morning Worship
11.00am Rickling Holy Communion
 3.30pm Newport Messy Church

In addition to these services, prayer meetings are held as follow:

Quendon, Mondays 4 30 pm
 Rickling, Thursdays 9 00am
 Widdington, Tuesday 9 00am
 Newport, Wednesday 4 30 pm.

Police contact information

For crimes and suspicious activity **NOW** phone

999

For non-urgent incidents and reporting a crime that has already happened

101

Alternatively you can report non-urgent incidents or suspicious activity and crimes on-line at <https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-on-line/>

To give information **anonymously** phone CRIMESTOPPERS or report it on-line at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

0800 555 111



Rickling/Quendon Coffee Morning Club

Quiz and Fun Bingo

Wednesday the 17th of October 2018

10.00-12.00



**Please contact: Carole and Angela
 on 01799 543807/218061
 Quendon & Rickling Village Hall
 Quendon, CB11 3XQ**

Apple Pressing – Sunday 7th October 2pm Rickling Green

Would you like to turn your excess apples into juice – or perhaps have a go at making cider?



The Village Apple Press will be set up on The Green near the Pavilion on Sunday 7th October from 2 till 5pm.

Come along and bring some apples or just turn up to lend a hand turning apples into juice and tasting the finished product. Last year we pressed about forty litres of juice so I'm sure there will be plenty available.

Please remember to bring a container or two if you want to take away some juice.

The Village Plan Action Group

Quendon & Rickling Parish Council News

September (slightly edited)

Phew! What a scorcher!

Which isn't the reason why there was no parish council meeting in August. (Not strictly true as the September meeting had been brought forward to 28th August. But it was still the September meeting. Clear?) So, nothing much to report except to say that if there was ever any doubt in my mind, I now know that I for one could definitely never live in a Mediterranean country. **The next PC meeting will be on the 10th of October.**

Woodland Management

Strutt and Parker have notified the council that they will be carrying out some woodland work across the whole of the Quendon Estate to "manage and enhance the individual compartments of woodland as part of our ongoing stewardship requirements", it says here. There will therefore be some woodland machinery and lorries travelling through the village collecting the stacked timber. This is expected to take 3 to 4 weeks with all stacked timber removed by the end of September.

Broadband- the Haves and Have-nots

You won't need to be told that there is a strange situation in Quendon and Rickling in that part of the village has access to a full, super speedy broadband connection whilst the rest has to make do with tin cans and a length of string. I don't profess to have a clue about the technicalities of broadband provision but fortunately there are people who do. I believe some information is being posted to Facebook. What I can say (I think) is that ultimately Gigaclear will be the supplier but it is unlikely the whole system will be up and running before January 2019.

Welcome Packs

The Parish Council provides a Welcome Pack of information for new residents to the Village. If any newcomers to the village have not received a copy of the pack, do please let the Clerk know on the contact details below and a welcome pack will be dropped off to them.

Notice boards

There are three notice boards in the village, sited at Coney Acre, Thistley Crescent and the Village Hall. If you would like anything posted on the notice boards please contact the Parish Clerk. The agenda for monthly parish council meeting is posted to each notice board.

Allotments

Anyone interested in taking up an allotment should contact Peter Warwick on **01799 543526**.

Highway Problems

The Essex Highways website is available for anyone noticing a problem to report it: <http://www.essexhighways.org/Report-a-problem.aspx>

A tracking facility for all reported faults is available.

Police/Crime

The Essex Community Messaging Service provides useful information to the public about policing and safety issues. It is free to register and information is given relative to your postcode, thus providing accurate and up-to-date community safety information and crime prevention advice. Users can choose to receive information via e-mail, text or voice-recording and can select what information to receive – based on where they live and work and on issues of interest. For further details and to sign up, visit www.essex.police.uk/ecm

Contact the Parish Council

The Clerk, Keith Williams can be contacted by e-mail quendonandrickling.clerk@hotmail.com or by telephone **01279 814473**



Are you proud of your garden?

Share your passion for gardening and help people in crisis.

Will you open your GARDEN?

Some fundraisers invite their friends and family over for an afternoon of fun. Others open their gardens to the public and host a tea party.

Contact: 01245 291014

BritishRedCross

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR

I hope that you have all enjoyed the summer and that you are equally looking forward to the season of mellow mists and fruitfulness. I would like to bring to your attention a few ongoing matters that the Parish Council have been working on.

I am pleased to say that we have almost finalized arrangements for the PC to take over the lease for the Football Ground. Discussions have been taking place for some time, not helped by the bad state of repairs to the existing buildings and the fact that we do not currently have any teams booked in for the coming season. However, that will not deter us, and we will look at options that may be available to repair, or even enhance, the facilities. Meanwhile, Sally (Southgate) Kitkat is continuing her campaign to recruit teams.

Progress on the Neighbourhood Plan (NhP) continues and it is already becoming a real benefit in our thinking for the future. There is still work to do before it comes back to you, to vote on its acceptance but hopefully that will be towards the end of this year or beginning of next.

There is one aspect of the NhP that I would like you all to particularly think about. We do have a delightful parish and one which reflects the character that has evolved over many years. We need to record what is known as Heritage Sites, which recognise the past as well as the present and help, as we look to the future and maintain a balanced development. So what is a Heritage Site exactly? There are perhaps obvious ones such as our

Fountain, Churches, Village Hall and many buildings that show off the various characteristics. However it is not necessarily the structures but often a view down a particular road or across the countryside that we would wish to maintain. An attractive wall or tree line. It is important to note that the recording of such sites does not impose any restrictions on the owner.

If you have any suggestions, please send them to Keith, our Parish Clerk. A few words explaining why you think it should be added to the list and, if you can, adding a photograph, would be very helpful. There will be some duplications but this is something that everybody can be involved. If you are not sure but would like a chat, please do not hesitate to call me.

Finally, at least for this month, we are resurrecting the email distribution list, which is another means of letting you know what is happening in and around our villages. Facebook has tended to take over some of this communication, which is great, but some residents are not happy with this form of media and an email is a useful alternative. We do have to be careful now with the new laws on data protection, but if you would like to be added to the list please contact our Parish Clerk.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next Parish Council meeting on 10th October .. but if you can't make it ... out and about around the village,

All the very best,

Brandon

Quendon & Rickling 100 Club

Many congratulations to the August 2018 winners.

98 ball.....Sarah Gemmill.....£35.00

56 ball.....Lorraine Chandler.....£25.00

26 ball.....Annie Bishop.....£15.00

Also congratulations to the September winners!

Ball 25.....Tessa Deriziotis.....£35

Ball 60.....Peter Davis.....£25

Ball 102.....Ron & Iris Naughton.....£15

If you would like to join us, please phone me!

Clare. 01799 543637

University of Cambridge Temporary Employment Service

TES is currently looking to recruitment additional candidates to our temporary worker pool. We are looking for people experienced in administration, reception, clerical, secretarial, PA/EA or financial assistance. We offer opportunities to anyone who might be looking for temporary work and/or to gain experience in the University.

Helen Dalglish,

Manager of the Temporary Employment Service

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Human Resources Division

University of Cambridge

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Email: helen.dalglish@admin.cam.ac.uk

<http://www.hr.admin.cam.ac.uk/hr-services/tes>

Samaritan Shoe Box Appeal

We will be filling and sending our shoe boxes again. Leaflets will be in both churches and the village hall. Information can be found on the Samaritan website <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk> The boxes need to be with me by November 7th. If you would like to contribute any items I will leave a box for donations at the churches. For further information contact **Christine Osbourn 543367**



THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

Castles

The index to the Society's new book refers to no fewer than eleven castles. All are shadows of their former selves, but many can still be seen and just a few may be visited.

Many were built soon after the Norman Conquest of 1066. These Norman castles are described as motte and bailey, consisting of a large mound of earth or rubble (motte) surmounted by a wooden or stone tower. Alongside would be an embanked enclosure with additional buildings (the bailey).



A fine example of what a typical Norman castle may have been like exists at Stansted Mountfitchet. Although little survives other than the mound on which the original castle once stood, a wooden

stockade and village have been recreated. The mottes are still visible from Norman castles at Anstey, Great Canfield and Stebbing.

The parish of Castle Camps takes its name from the castle which dated back to Saxon times. Clavering castle's buildings were surrounded by a large ditch which can still be seen, adjacent to the churchyard.

Civil war raged in England between Stephen and his cousin Matilda from 1135 to 1153, a time known as The Anarchy which saw considerable castle building. Geoffrey de Mandeville, the Earl of Essex, swapped sides more than once. He built the castle at Saffron Walden. Some ruined walls still remain and they are Grade I listed, the finest surviving stone castle within the Hundred Parishes. De Mandeville also built the castle at Pleshey during the Anarchy. The large motte still remains. The present village of Pleshey lies mostly inside the outer bailey earthwork which is clearly visible



along much of its length.

Our area is rich in heritage so, as ever, I encourage you to go explore and see what you can discover!

Markets

The Domesday Book of 1086 lists just 50 markets across England. During the Middle Ages the number increased dramatically and two thousand new markets were established between 1200 and 1350 AD. From the 12th century, monarchs granted charters to towns and villages allowing them to hold markets on specific days. A charter was a formal document and gave protection from rival markets which were prohibited from trading on the same day or within a certain distance.

The term market town originated in the Middle Ages and the Hundred Parishes has no fewer than four former market towns that still hold a regular market, albeit very different to the occasions when cattle and sheep were traded.

Newport had a flourishing market until 1141 when Geoffrey de Mandeville was granted the right to move the market to Saffron Walden. This was about the time the church and the castle were built and nearby Walden Abbey* was founded. Chipping was an old name for market and the town was then known as Chipping Walden. Today Saffron Walden holds a market on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Market day in Thaxted is Friday. Its charter was granted in 1205. Thaxted's guildhall has an open ground floor where part of the market could be held under cover.

In 1253 King Henry III granted Great Dunmow the right to hold a market. Today, it is held on Tuesday mornings.

Buntingford was allowed a market in the 14th century by Edward III. It still holds a market on Mondays.

Barkway, Hatfield Broad Oak, Linton, Puckeridge and Standon were also once classed as market towns. The wide high streets of Barkway, Linton and Standon suggest that these were the market locations.

An exploratory visit to any of the parishes mentioned is thoroughly recommended.

Ken McDonald, Secretary

**Destroyed to build Audley End House. Editor*

Report from District Councillors Anthony Gerard and Neil Hargreaves

Heritage Assets List

UDC is completing a list of 'non-designated' heritage assets. The draft document, see <https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/heritagelist>, describes these as:

'In addition to nationally listed buildings, there are also a wealth of non-listed buildings that are considered to be

locally significant and make a positive contribution to the character and distinctiveness of Uttlesford. This may be due to their historic, aesthetic, evidential or communal value, or a combination of these factors. These are non-designated heritage assets.'

The structures on the draft list in Quendon are the

fountain, the village hall, 1 to 4 Red Brick Cottages on Cambridge Rd, Candle Mass Cottage next to the Cricketers Arms and the school on Rickling Green, 1 and 2 Rickling Green Road and 1, 2 and 3 Lacey Cottages, and the Old Parish Rooms. Also included is the full height finger post at the Brick Kiln Lane junction but not the short one at Brixton Lane.



For the Village Hall the text says 'local elders (!) have said it was once a coffee shop serving travellers between London and Norwich'. Seems rather large for a coffee shop.

For comparison here are the listed buildings:



Green is grade 2, yellow 2* and red is grade 1

Although the Heritage Assets List is of use in identifying and describing significant non-listed structures, it doesn't provide any additional statutory protection. Where a new application is involved, officers have existing powers to deal with inappropriate alterations, and may now also refer to the Heritage Assets List. However, there is a wide range of 'permitted development rights'.

Even in a Conservation Area the only protection for existing buildings is Listing or 'Article 4' designation, which is a form of partial listing typically of the outside features or of boundary features such as flint and brick walls. If a property is not listed an owner could for example do a loft conversion with velux windows in an area where dormers are the norm, demolish Victorian iron railings, install inappropriate plastic windows or paint their house hi-viz pink and there is nothing the planning officers can do. Although a Conservation Area provides control over new developments, if not Listed, once a property is built the permitted development rights apply and an owner may even do things which were refused in the original permission.

Newport has a large number of 'Article 4' designations in addition to full listings, but Quendon & Rickling has none. In response to the consultation Neighbourhood Plan, the Conservation Officer said UDC would support

using the Heritage List as a basis for making Article 4 designations, which provide legal protection against inappropriate works.

The next deadline for submissions for the Heritage List is 1st November. Residents might want to consider if there are other important buildings or structures not listed, but worthy of being on the Heritage List, and submitting them, or recommending the parish council do this. The criteria are on the draft list document on the UDC website. Seeking Article 4 designations is one of the Recommendations in the Neighbourhood Plan

Speed limits follow up

In the last issue we commented on Anthony's application to Essex Highways to extend the speed limit south of Quendon, and north of Newport.

At the beginning of August we met with the Essex Highways officer responsible for small projects. She is preparing the case for both north of Newport and south of Quendon, to move out the 30 limits and also have a 40 zone beyond that. The exact positions are to be determined at detailed design stage.

We asked about extension down to Belcham's Lane but were told that had been considered before, but rejected as there is little traffic on the lane and a speed limit zone all the way up to Quendon would be ignored if drivers think it has no obvious purpose. This could even be to the detriment of Quendon if drivers then just carry on at speed. Two traffic surveys will be done in September (the twin cables across the road) to help determine the locations for the limits.

The projects and costings should go to the Highways Panel in January. If approved they will go into the 2019 budget and highways plan. The largest cost is legal fees because there must be a consultation to create an enforceable limit.

When I posted this on Facebook there was a comment that it was a waste of time as limits are not enforced. The response to this is that a good number of drivers do heed the limits, and if we don't have one at all there is nothing to enforce. We know that the police are not going to be doing much enforcing, and cameras are not going to be installed. However, having expensive traffic police standing around, or the big yellow boxes, is perhaps now out of date. Maybe breaking speed limits will in future be monitored by satnav type technology?

Councillors Surgeries

We are available every Thursday morning from 10.30 to 11.30 in Dorrington's in Newport and we take turns to attend the parish council meetings in the Village Hall. We are also active on the two main village Facebook groups.

Neil Hargreaves



Westminster News

Speaking up on rural crime

Going hand-in-hand with promoting our local businesses, is making sure that Saffron Walden is a safe place for people to live and visit. A year after being elected as MP for Saffron Walden, I delivered a speech to Parliament raising the issue of rural crime and made a plea to the Government to give rural crime the special attention it deserves.

“Covering almost 400 square miles, this constituency needs more policing than other areas, not less” I said in the speech.

This comes after I spent several days on patrol with Essex Police during the Easter recess, researching the situation on the ground and learning about the challenges faced by local officers.

“The Conservatives are the party of law and order, and the Government have done some very positive things, which I acknowledge. In April the Minister for Housing, my hon. Friend the Member for Esher and Walton (Dominic Raab), announced a review of the powers to deal with unauthorised caravan sites. Similarly, after lobbying efforts by me and a number of colleagues - including my hon. Friend the Member for Clacton (Giles Watling), who is present - the Essex police precept was increased. The increase will deliver 150 more officers.

I supported that measure wholeheartedly, but it was a short-term solution, and local people cannot always be asked to pay more.”

I went on to make mention of a number of local incidents like the incessant fly-tipping in Great Canfield, the illegal Travellers site in Dunmow and hare-coursing all over the constituency. The response to these criminal activities has been stymied by the lack of police resources dedicated to Uttlesford. With 150 new officers being trained this will improve, but the change will not be significant enough to transform the way rural crime is dealt with in rural areas like this.

Having seen the challenges faced by local officers, I felt this needed to be raised in the House of Commons.

They do a brilliant job with the tools they have, but there simply aren't enough of them to cover such a vast area. Not only do local communities deserve better, the police

deserve better too. I will continue to raise this with the Government, and emphasise at every opportunity that the police need more support from Parliament.

I also paid tribute to a number of local police officers – PCSO James Graham, for his tireless community engagement; Sgt Geoff Edwards, who tackled seven hare courses on his own after only just returning to full duty; and Chief Constable Stephen Kavanagh, who recently announced his retirement.

'Upskirting' should always be a crime

There are some crimes, however, that are not just confined to Saffron Walden. Instead, they sadly blight thousands of peoples' lives up and down the country. I've had several emails from constituents about 'upskirting' and raised the issue in the House of Commons. This kind of behaviour is reprehensible, unacceptable and should always be illegal. I received a positive response from the Minister, who stated:

"Although there have been successful prosecutions for this highly intrusive practice under existing offences, current legislation does not necessarily cover all instances of upskirting. By creating a specific upskirting offence, the Government are strengthening the law in this area. ? We are doing exactly what she alludes to—closing a loophole—and ensuring that the most serious sexual offenders go on the sex offenders register."

I fully support this approach from the Government. There was a subsequent bill committee which approved the legislation, and I look forward to seeing it take its rightful place on the statute book.

Surgeries are an opportunity for you to meet with me, your Member of Parliament, and seek advice or assistance on confidential issues. For all other enquiries please send an email as it's often possible to meet sooner or speak over the phone. Should you wish to attend a surgery, please contact me at the earliest opportunity. Street surgeries do not require an appointment.

Appointments: 020 7219 1943
kemi.badenoch.mp@parliament.uk

Web: <http://kemibadenoch.org.uk/>

Kemi Badenoch, MP

Winter Fayre

Sunday 18th Nov

2.00pm

Quendon Village Hall

Make a note of the date for our great winter fayre.

We plan to have tombola, a huge raffle and many varied stalls and refreshments.

Help us To make our Winter Fayre a success. If you would like to have a stall, let Tracey know on Tel: 542095 – 077408 67252

Perhaps you are willing to make a cake or have items suitable for the tombola.

More details in next month's *The Link*.

Winstanley Day.

Sunday 2nd December.

William Winstanley, 1628-1698 was born in Quendon and is known as the man who saved Christmas, when he refused to give up the traditional festivities when Cromwell forbade the season.

He is also remembered for his tales of a terrible dragon seen in the village of Henham.

Start the Christmas season by joining us, to see Quendon Church decorated in seasonal 17th century style, and for a tale of local myth with music.

MP climbs aboard Miniature Railway

Saffron Walden MP, Kemi Badenoch, visited Audley End Miniature Railway recently to experience the attraction and learn more about how it benefits the local community.

The Miniature Railway has been in operation since 1962 and was originally started by the late Lord Braybrooke out of love for steam engines, a passion he wanted to share by turning it into an attraction for Saffron Walden.

56 years later, the Railway is still going strong and welcomes 100,000 people on board every year. This is owed to the efforts of Lord Braybrooke's daughter, Amanda Murray, who has been determined to keep her father's passion going and turn into something which benefits the local area.

As well as bringing tourists to the area, benefitting the economy, the Railway also provides employment opportunities for local people. The staff, each with their own knack in their roles, make the place feel like a big family.

The Railway also employs a number of apprentices. While the younger people are gaining valuable work experience, the Railway can pass down historic

knowledge to the next generation, helping to keep Lord Braybrooke's passion alive.

The Summer Festival turned the Railway into a full day out for families with a packed schedule of activities – story telling; face painting; craft making; and an enchanted fairy walk.

Mrs. Badenoch, after visiting with her family, said:

“The Miniature Railway was a great day out for the family, but it was also an opportunity to learn more about the benefits it brings to our area and see Lord Braybrooke's legacy in action.

By providing employment opportunities and apprenticeship placements for local students, they are ensuring that the art of model railways and machine work is passed on to the next generation. It was a pleasure to see so many young people developing their skills and confidence while working, and I was very pleased to hear that they will be offering even more apprenticeships in future.

With plans for new play areas and further development on the horizon, the Railway looks set to go from strength to strength. I hope that even more local residents and tourists have the opportunity to visit.”



Autumn Gift Fair

Wednesday 10th October
10.00am to 3.30pm

To be held at: Parklands Quendon Hall
Quendon, Nr Saffron Walden, CB11 3XN

Entrance: £5.00 includes coffee & biscuits

- > EXCITING STALLS
- > GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES
- > LUNCHESES AVAILABLE

More Information: 01245 291014



Refusing to ignore people in crisis

Village Hall Update



Photographs BEFORE works!

We have at last finished our underpinning and major repairs. The builders moved out the bank holiday weekend. The remedial work in the roof meant the ceiling had to come down, with attendant dust and mess. Finally a new ceiling was put up and decorating began. Regular users of the hall have seen for themselves. Come and look on October 13th – see notice of open morning.

Village hall Committee.

Rickling School - End of Summer Term Report

OZ The Greatest Show

I cannot, not mention Maple Class Production of last week. It was absolutely brilliant, we were all so proud of the children, they did a sterling job. The singing, acting and all-round performance was brilliant - well done year 5 and 6!

A Special Mention to Reuben Cowell...

The Woodland Trust were putting on a competition for designing their own daemon that Phillip Pulman would bring to life! Reuben drew a daemon, an owl called 'Strix'. Reuben's design was selected out of hundreds in his age category and three weeks later a parcel arrived containing a copy of 'The Book of Dust' in with a short piece written by Phillip Pullman and signed - the next edition of the Woodland Trust Magazine displayed his fantastic picture alongside the other winner. Well done Reuben.

Summer Fete



A massive thank you to Friends of Rickling for putting on such a brilliant Summer Fete, the weather was fantastic and the variety of stalls was lovely. Their amazing work goes so far and we cannot thank them enough.

Year 6 Leaver's Service and Presentation

It is with such pride listening to the year 6 leaver speeches, they have such fond memories and we wish them all the best for their new venture in life at Secondary School. Well done again to all the children who received an award this morning, truly brilliant!

SATS RESULTS

We are so proud of all our Year 6 children for how well they have done in their SATS this year. They are a credit to us and parents. Well done children, you have done us proud and good luck at secondary school. Thank you to Mr Cherry and Mrs Mac for their continued support through this.



Rickling Fun Run

Once again a massive thank you to the Run Team for all their hard work that raised over £5,700. An amazing amount of money - thank you so much!

And finally a message from the outgoing Head Teacher

As I write this, I only know too well that this is my last newsletter to you all. It really has been a pleasure to be part of the Federation for the last five years and see it grow and grow through the years. When I graduated back in 2002 I never thought I would become a Headteacher - I can only say how blessed I have been to experience my first headship here at Farnham and Rickling. They are such special schools that will always hold a treasured place with me.

For me, what makes these schools so special are your children, they really are such polite, well-mannered children and delightful to be around. I have so much enjoyed seeing them grow in confidence, as they embark in their early education and then see them go onto Secondary school as well-rounded, confident members of society. This cannot be achieved without your support from home, of which I thank you, but also to the team that we have here. They have to be one of the best teams I have ever worked with, the drive they have for excellence and the dedication they have to your children is unquestionable.

I must mention the Friends of Rickling, especially Charlie and Carey, who without the tremendous work and effort, raising an amazing £9550!! We would not have some of the fantastic resources for our children to enjoy - thank you so much.

My last thanks goes to the Governing Body, with a special thank you to Sue Joannou our Chair and Rebecca Martin our Vice-Chair. The Governing Body work tirelessly in the background and I cannot thank them enough for their hard work and support to me and the Federation. I would like to say a massive thank you to all you for the beautiful send off and gifts, I have been so touched. Your generosity has been overwhelming. Thank you. I wish everyone of you the best, have a super summer holiday, rest, recuperate and enjoy. God bless you all and may the schools continue to grow in strength.

kindest regards,



Mr. A. Gardiner

Village Hall Coffee and Open Morning

Saturday October 13th 10.00 till 13.00. Come and see our newly repaired and painted small hall. Coffee, Raffle and pictures of the various stages of dust. Information on where our funding came from and future projects.



Volunteers

Are you free on 20th October?

Please join us at Quendon Churchyard from 10am for its annual tidy.

Any time you can spare on this day (or at any other time!) will be appreciated.

A list of tasks will be posted in the church porch.

Refreshments will be provided.

2018 at...



The Apparition (12A)	Mon 1st 7.30pm
The Children Act (12A)	Fri 5th 8pm (<i>hosted discussion</i>), Sun 7th 5pm & 8pm
The Big Bad Fox and Other Tales (U)	Sat 6th 3pm, Sun 7th 2pm & Mon 22nd 3pm
Aida – <i>Met Opera</i>	Sat 6th 5.55pm
The Guardians (15)	Mon 8th 8pm
The Importance of Being Earnest - <i>Vaudeville Theatre</i>	Tues 9th 7.15pm
Embrace (12A)	Thurs 11th 7.30pm
The Spy Who Dumped Me (15)	Fri 12th 8pm
Christopher Robin (PG)	Sat 13th & Sun 14th 2pm
Puzzle (15)	Sat 13th 5pm & Sun 14th 8pm
Finding Your Feet (12A) – <i>Pop-up Ickleton</i>	Sat 13th 8pm
The Seagull (12A)	Sat 13th 8pm & Sun 14th 5pm
Thomas & Friends: Big World! Big Adventures! (U)	Sun 14th 11am (<i>Cinema for Tinies</i>)
Cold War (15)	Mon 15th 8pm (<i>hosted discussion</i>) & Thurs 25th 8pm
King Lear – <i>Duke of York's Theatre</i>	Tues 16th 7pm
Don't Look Now (15)	Weds 17th 8pm
The King of Thieves (15)	Fri 19th & Sun 21st 8pm
Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again (<i>sing-along</i>) (PG)	Sat 20th 2pm, Thurs 25th 3pm (<i>Dementia-friendly</i>)
Samson et Dalila – <i>Met Opera</i>	Sat 20th 5.55pm
Mayerling – <i>Royal Opera House</i>	Sun 21st 2pm
C'est la vie! (15)	Mon 22nd 8pm
Incredibles 2 (PG)	Tues 23rd 3pm
The Miseducation of Cameron Post (15)	Tues 23rd 8pm
The House with a Clock in its Walls (12A)	Fri 26th 3pm & Sun 28th 2pm
A Simple Favour (15)	Fri 26th & Sat 27th 8pm
Funny Girl – <i>The Musical</i>	Sat 27th 3pm
Sherlock Junior + The Tramp (U) – <i>Pop-up Radwinter</i>	Sat 27th 7.30pm
Die Walküre – <i>Royal Opera House</i>	Sun 28th 5pm
Faces Places (12A)	Mon 29th 8pm
La Fanciulla del West – <i>Met Opera</i>	Weds 31st 7pm

Tickets available from the Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre, online at www.saffronscreen.com, or at the cinema Box Office (opens 30 mins before screening) at County High School, Audley End Road, Saffron Walden, CB11 4UH.

What's On

Where no organiser is shown for any event in Q&R Village Hall, contact the Hall Manager, Christine Osbourn on 01799 543367 for details

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
EXTEND Exercises	<i>Mondays</i>	10.30	Q&R Village Hall	Pat Turner 01799 543314
Saffron Searchers	<i>1st Monday in month-</i>		Q&R Village Hall	-
Dog Training	<i>Mondays</i>	-	Q&R Village Hall	Pauline Everton
Rainbows	<i>Mondays</i>	16.00-17.00	Q&R Village Hall	(Pre-Brownies)
Prayer Meeting	<i>Mondays</i>	16.30	Quendon Church	
Pilates	<i>Tuesdays</i>	09.00-10.00	Q&R Village Hall	Jan Crawley 077421 82272
Dance Exercise	<i>Tuesdays</i>	Morning	Q&R Village Hall	Christine Alexander
Dance Exercise	<i>Tuesdays</i>	Afternoon	Q&R Village Hall	Christine Alexander
Armadillos	<i>Tuesdays (term-time)</i>	09.00	Rickling School	Stevie Green 01799 542734
Coffee Group	<i>3rd Weds in month</i>	10.00-12.00	Q&R Village Hall	Angela 01799 218061/Carol 543807
U3A Choir	<i>Wednesdays</i>	10.30	Q&R Village Hall	
Wednesday Club	<i>Wednesdays</i>	-	Q&R Village Hall	Christine Osbourn 01799 543367
Carpet Bowls	<i>Wednesdays</i>	19.00	Quendon Bowls Club	David Edwards 07804 954095
Prayer Meeting	<i>Thursdays</i>	09.00	Rickling Church	
Line Dancing	<i>Thursdays</i>	-	Q&R Village Hall	Dawn Bond 01787 460274
Rickling Runners	<i>Thursdays</i>	19.30	The Green	Stevie Green 01799 542734
Social Evening	<i>Fridays</i>	19.00	Quendon Bowls Club	David Edwards 07804 954095
Whist Drive	<i>1st & 3rd Sats</i>	19.30	Quendon Bowls Club	Tony Green 01799 218796
Apple Pressing	7th October	14.00-17.00	The Green	
Parish Council	10th October	19.30	Q&R Village Hall	
Golf Society	11 October	10.00	Newmarket Links	GC Ray Hart ray-janice@hotmail.co.uk
Coffee Morning	13th October	10.00-13.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Harvest Festival	14th October	11.00	Quendon Church	
Coffee Morning	17th October	10.00-12.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Churchyard Tidying	20th October	10.00 onwards		Quendon Churchyard
Film Showing	24th October	14.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Holy Communion	28th October	11.00	Rickling Church	
Commem. Service	4th November	18.00	Newport Church	
BCP Communion	11th November	18.00	Quendon Church	For Remembrance Day
Winter Fayre	18th November	14.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Winstanley Day	2nd December		Quendon Church	

Emergency Life-saving

Should someone suffer a cardiac arrest or show symptoms of a heart attack e.g. pains in the chest, then your first action should always be to phone the ambulance service on 999. The service will refer you to our Automated External Defibrillator which is at the front entrance to Quendon & Rickling Village Hall. Anyone can save a life by using it until an ambulance arrives. In addition you can seek help from any of the volunteers listed below.

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Alan Price	01799 542527	Northern end - Cambridge Road
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Gemma C.	01799 540358	Southern end - Cambridge Road
Sandy Turner	01799 540557	Rickling Green
Pat Turner	01799 543314	Rickling Green
Janice Hart	01799 541196	Rickling Green/Brick Kiln Lane/Rickling
Clare Willoughby	01799 543637	Rickling Green/Brick Kiln Lane/Rickling



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