

CLUBS & SOCIETIES



Martin Broom writes

DEDHAM FOOTPATH GROUP

Please note from January 2017, we will meet at 10.30am on the first Sunday of each month.

Elliott Frisby writes

THE DEDHAM & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Society's next Speaker Evening takes place on Wednesday 1st March at 7.30pm. Mike Warren from the Garden Media Guild will talk about Climbers, Creepers & Crawlers. Join us at the Assembly Rooms on Dedham High Street. Free to members and, as ever, visitors are more than welcome. Just £2 entry for non-members.

Graeme Forsyth writes

STOUR VALLEY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

On Wednesday 1st March, Joyce Kimber speaks on "Ciphers & Enigma" and the Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th March when President Hew Naylor will stand down after his year in office.

We meet at the convenient St John Ambulance HQ, Manningtree CO11 1EB. New members are welcomed by Stour Valley Men's Probus Club, we meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month in Manningtree at 10.30am. Please contact Speaker Secretary Dave

Carman on **01255 880202** for further details.

STOUR VALLEY U3A

Mark Mitchels will speak on Wednesday 8th March on "The Sutton Hoo Ship Burial". This will be an illustrated lecture that attempts to re-create the moment. It will tell the story of the excavation and when a remarkable people sent their **leader on his final voyage**. This was one of the greatest treasure ever found on English soil, and a Royal tomb.

THE THIRD AGE TRUST



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

For further information please visit

www.stourvalleyu3a.org.uk

Meeting Venue

We meet at The Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TP at 2.15pm. Annual membership costs £12 a year and this entitles members to attend the meetings that take place on the second Wednesday of each month, except August and December.

Betty Callaghan writes

THE GOOD NEIGHBOURS CLUB

As members are already aware of the meeting on the 10th March, this is to confirm that Valerie Blaker will be attending such meeting to discuss the possibility of various outings this year.

This magazine can be read in colour at www.dedham-parishchurch.org.uk

Dedham and Ardleigh Parishes

dedham-and-ardleigh-parishes.org.uk

...are now working together as one Benefice...

Dedham Church will be closed from 27th February until 17th March for the floor to be sanded and re-varnished. All services for 5th and 12th March will be at Ardleigh (no services at Dedham). Please see details below.

If you could use a lift to get to Ardleigh on 5th or 12th March, please contact the office.

We hope that in their variety there will be something for everyone

Sunday	St Mary's Dedham	St Mary's Ardleigh
1 st in the month (March only)	No Services	8.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Family Service 5.00pm Choral Evensong
2 nd in the month (March only)	No Services	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 10.30am Parish Eucharist
3 rd in the month	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Parish Eucharist
4 th in the month	10.30am Mattins (BCP) Revive @ 5pm	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
5 th in the month	Usually a Joint Service	For location see church website or noticeboard

Revive at 5 is informal and contemporary worship with cake, coffee and hot chocolate available from 4.30pm Come and try it out!

Just being a Christian where I am – in future months we'll be inviting folk to talk about their experience of being a Christian where God has placed them

We are looking for musicians to join the group at Revive
– contact **Antony Watson 322425**



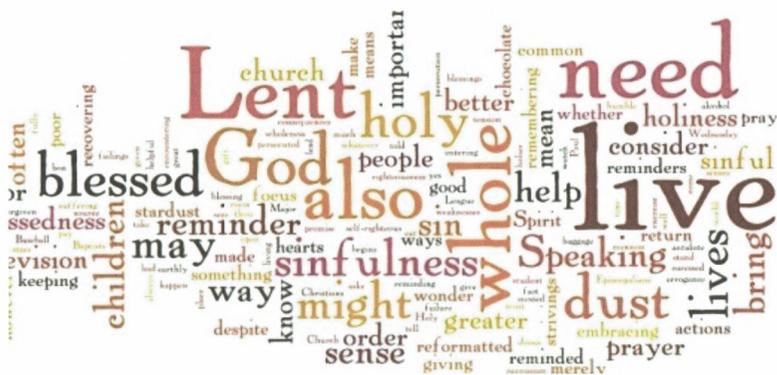
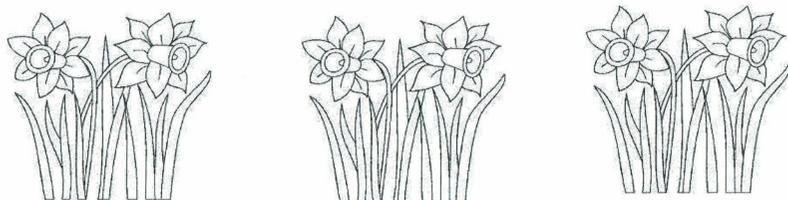
Dedham and Ardleigh Parishes invite you to come and celebrate

Mothering Sunday

with us

on Sunday 26th March

Family Services at both St Mary's Dedham and St Mary's Ardleigh at 10.30am



Dedham and Ardleigh Parishes Lent 2017 – all events at St Mary's Ardleigh

Ash Wednesday - Holy Communion and imposition of Ashes - 1st March at 6.30pm

Simple Lent Meditations for 45 mins on Wednesdays at 7.00pm - starting 8th March
Helping you to grow your relationship with God

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SAMSON'S TRAGEDY

'Eyeless in Gaza at the mill with slaves': that is how John Milton expresses the tragedy of Samson's life in his poem 'Samson Agonistes.' There is an irony in his blindness and powerlessness, for Samson means 'sunshine.' As we read the story in Judges 13-17, he was called to be God's agent in bringing the dawn of a new day to the Israelites and freedom from the Philistines. But he breaks his vows as a Nazirite, and leads a life of sex and violence: the stuff of film and opera, of art and poetry.

Then he falls in love with Delilah, who uses her feminine wiles and intelligence to find out the secret of his strength. That moment is depicted in this painting of 1537 by the German artist, Lucas Cranach the Younger. We see Samson



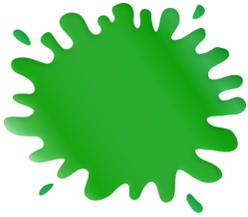
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the partridges and fruitful trees are signs of temptation. The artist is telling us how easy it is to turn away from God's purpose, and the sleeping Samson is once again oblivious to that calling.

The book of Judges tells us how the tragedy unfolds: the Philistines imprison him and set him to grind corn. Called to bring light to Israel, Samson has been blinded. The world is a dark place for him, but then at the Philistines' festival celebrations he remembers his God. With renewed strength he brings down the temple and the people within it. That is why we find Samson's name in the list of heroes of faith in Hebrews 11. It is a reminder that we can all too easily make a mess of life and God's calling, but God can still use us and work through us to bring new life and hope.

DEDHAM ASSEMBLY ROOMS



Little Squigglers messy play and creative classes provide a fun way for your under-5 to grow in confidence and develop new skills. Our pre-school classes provide a perfect opportunity for children to experience sensory activities you may not want to embark on at home.

Messy play for babies or toddlers is not only great fun but is a perfect way for your child to learn new skills through sensory play and sensory learning, as well as learning to share, make new friends, develop greater confidence and independence, and increase language and communication skills.



At each class children have the opportunity to create three quality pieces of art work to take home. These are linked to the theme of the class and are different every week.



Starting on Thursday 23rd February 2017 at The Assembly Rooms, High Street, Dedham.

10.30am – 2-4 year olds
11.30am – Under 2 ½ year olds

To find out more, please contact Sarah -
07886179413

sarah@littlesquigglers.co.uk
www.littlesquigglers.co.uk/ne-essex

You can also find us on Facebook & Twitter.



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Waiting

There is a Russian proverb that says, “the future belongs to him who knows how to wait”.

We live in an impatient world— we are so keen to get our thoughts out and to share what we do or eat or go on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, it’s almost as if we are afraid the experience or thought might disappear if it’s not shared immediately.

It true that time is a precious gift and we do well to cherish it and not waste it away but if we simply fill our time by cramming everyday with things and experiences, noise and people we can miss the most precious gift that life can give us.

Waiting is a kind of “passion” because it so often means we are waiting for something to happen to us; and we feel we have no control, yet if we don’t go through the waiting we miss the gifts it has for us.

The prophet Elijah in the Old Testament learned this when he was fleeing for his life and found himself sheltering in a narrow cave. He had to live through a windstorm, earthquake and fire but what he longed for most wasn’t in any of those powerful events. It was only when he waited for the silence that he knew God’s presence with him. And knowing God is with us is the most precious gift we can receive.

By Reverend Carol Miston



**From the Registers
NO ENTRIES THIS MONTH**



Special Services
Wednesday, 1 March—Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes
Sunday, 26 March—Mothering Sunday

CONTACTS

Support for you from St Mary's Church

Psalm 34:18: The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Sometimes things in life can just get too much to cope with on our own.....

- If you would like some support or know of someone else who would like support please contact Ann Shaw ☎322 192
- If you have been bereaved or know of anyone in the parish who has and would like some support please contact Vee Druit ☎ 322 000 on or Ruth ☎322 598
- If you would like a lift to church contact Ann Shaw ☎322 192 or Ruth ☎322 598

MINISTERS (01206)

Anthony Wilson	Priest in Charge	☎ 323 919
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MUSIC

Anthony Watson	Director of Music	322 425
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FLOWER ARRANGERS

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DEDHAM PARISH MAGAZINE

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PARISH OFFICE

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9am-11am Tuesdays

11am-1pm Thursdays

If you have an urgent query, please contact Reverend Antony Wilson on ☎323 919.

Parish Secretary Claire Arculus

DEADLINE FOR NEXT EDITION (APRIL)

17 March



Tower Flag Day of the Month 2017

**13th March
Commonwealth
Day**

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WHAT'S ON: FILM

In the Assembly Rooms Dedham

**Dedham
Films**

Wednesday 15 March 2017

SULLY

(13) Directed by Clint Eastwood 2016



The story of Chesley Sullenberger, an American pilot who became a hero after landing his damaged plane on the Hudson River in order to save the flight's passengers and crew. If there's one thing you can count on Clint Eastwood doing well, it's directing an emotionally heartfelt story. Sully continues Eastwood's success by giving us probably the most human drama of 2016. Staring Tom Hanks this is a brilliant film of how a man can become a hero by just doing his job.

**Dedham
Films**

Wednesday 19 April 2017

THE EAGLE



The Eagle Huntress follows Aisholpan, a 13-year-old girl, as she trains to become the first female in twelve generations of her Kazakh family to become an eagle hunter, and rises to the pinnacle of a tradition that has been handed down from father to son for centuries. Set against the breath-taking expanse of the Mongolian steppe, the film features some of the most awe-inspiring cinematography ever captured in a documentary.

**Admission 7pm—Films begins 7.30pm Tickets £4 from
Shakespeare House Gallery or online at www.dedhamfilms.co.uk
Tickets for all films will be available from the date of the previous screening**

Refreshments available before the Films & Screenings and in the intervals

Contacts: Jax Horswill 322328 or dedhamfilms@gmail.com

To find out more about Dedham Films visit www.dedhamfilms.co.uk

WHAT'S ON: MUSIC, OPERA, BALLET

MUSIC continued

❖ **Sun 26 Mar:** 4 pm **Suffolk Philharmonic Orchestra**; Snape Aldeburgh. 4 pm **Wrabness Church Concerts**; Castalian String Quartet; Schumann, Ades, Beethoven.



Castalian quartet 26 Mar

❖ **Sat 1 Apr:** 7.30 pm **Hadleigh Choral Society** Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis*; Hadleigh Church. 7.30 pm **St Botolph's Music Society** Mozart. 7.30 pm **Stour Choral Society** Rutter and Fauré; East Bergholt Church.

❖ **Sat 8 Apr:** **Phoenix Singers**, anthems; Framlingham Church. 7.30 pm **Aldeburgh** Britten-Pears Orchestra with Marin Alsop and Colin Currie; Snape. 7.30 pm **Haverhill Choral Society** Handel, Haydn, Mozart; Hundon Church. 7.30 pm **Ipswich Bach Choir** Handel's *Samson*; St John, Felixstowe. 7.30 pm **Saffron Hall** Gabrieli choir and orchestra—Bach's *Easter Oratorio*.

❖ **Sun 9 Apr:** 6 pm **Tower Chamber Choir**; includes Leighton's *Crucifixus pro nobis*; St Mary-le-Tower Ipswich. 7.30 pm **Sudbury Choral Society** Mendelssohn's *Elijah*; St Peter's Church. 7.30 pm **Woodbridge Choral Society**; Snape Aldeburgh.

OPERA/MUSICAL

❖ **Sat 25 Feb:** 5.55 pm **Metropolitan Opera New York - LL** *Russalka* by Dvorák; Firstsite Colchester.

❖ **Sat 11 Mar:** 5.55 pm **The MET - LL** Verdi's *La Traviata*; Firstsite

❖ **Tue 21 - 25 Mar:** **Irving Stage Company production: Oklahoma!** Theatre Royal Bury.

❖ **Sat 25 Mar:** 5.55 pm **The MET - LL** Mozart's *Idomeneo*; Firstsite.

❖ **Thu 30 Mar:** 7.15 pm **Royal Opera House - LL** Puccini's *Madama Butterfly*; Odeon Colchester.

❖ **Thu 30 Mar to 1 Apr** 7.30 pm: **English Touring Opera** at Snape Aldeburgh: Puccini's *Tosca* and Gilbert & Sullivan's *Patience*.

BALLET

❖ **Sat 25 Feb:** 7.30 pm **Russian State Ballet of Siberia** *Swan Lake*; Regent Theatre Ipswich.

❖ **Tue 28 Feb:** 7 pm **Royal Ballet - LL** Tchaikovsky's *The Sleeping Beauty*; Odeon Colchester.

❖ **Thu 2 -4 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Theatre Royal Bury** Ballet Theatre UK *Giselle*.

❖ **Sun 19 Mar:** 3 pm **Bolshoi Ballet - LL** *A Contemporary Evening*; Firstsite and at the Odeon Colchester.

❖ **Sun 9 Apr:** 4 pm **Bolshoi - LL** *A Hero of Our Time*; Firstsite and Odeon Colchester.

For details see: www.eamaa.org

LL = live link by satellite

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

Duchy Barn Community Centre

Weekly events:

- Mondays 10.30am - 1.30pm **The Watercolour Group** £2 per session including tutoring and refreshment. All monies go to the Duchy Barn fund. Anyone is welcome to join the group and in the summer visitors to the village join us for a look at the barn and sometimes refreshments.
- Tuesdays 10.30-12noon **Coffee Morning** – just turn up!
- Wednesdays 2.00-5.00pm **Bridge in Dedham** Duplicate Bridge Club. No partner needed. Contact Judith on 322938 for more details
- Thursday 10.30-12noon **Coffee Morning** – just turn up!
- Thursday 7.00pm-10.00pm **Bridge in Dedham** Duplicate Bridge Club. No partner needed. Contact Judith on 322938 for more details
- Friday 10.30-12noon **Coffee Morning** – just turn up!
-and on the last Friday in the month Military Veterans gather together Friday 7.30-9.15pm **Youth Club** – open to young people from the village

The Barn is also available for private hire: £15 per session for local groups; £40 for parties – contact **Anne Rowledge** on 322394

Assembly Rooms

Forthcoming events for March

Horticultural Society Monthly meeting	Wednesday 1 st	7.30pm
Little Squiggles	Thursdays	10-12am
Antiques Fair	Sunday 5 th	All Day
Dolls House Fair	Saturday 4 th	All Day
CRUK Quiz	Saturday 4 th	7pm
Film Club	Wednesday 15 th	7pm
Salsa Evening	Friday 24 th	7pm
Youth Club Bingo Evening	Saturday 25 th	7pm
Eastern Angles production	Wednesday 29 th	7pm

For information and to make a booking for the Assembly Rooms please contact: **Tracy Woods**
☎ 323921 / Email info@dedham-assemblyrooms.info



Other Regular Events & Activities :

Each Tuesday Morning @ 10.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's Dedham
4 th Tuesday each month 10am-12	Friendship Group at St Mary's Ardleigh
Each Friday @ 9.15am (Term time)	Bible Study at Littlebury House, Dedham
Each Friday (Term Time) @ 6.30/7pm	Junior & Adult Choir Practice
Each Sunday @ 9.45am	Prayer at St Mary's Dedham

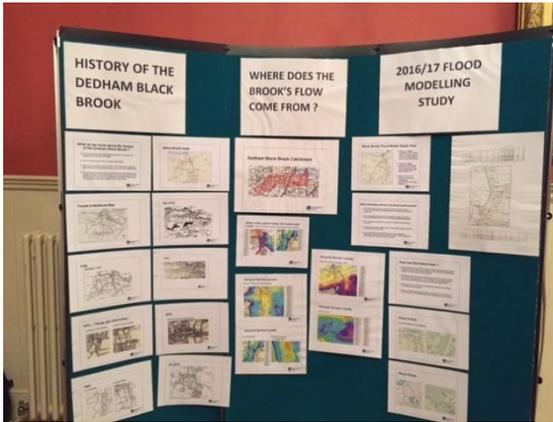
PARISH COUNCIL

Sheila Beeton writes

ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

In February the Parish Council organised an Environmental Forum with a focus on flood and water management in Dedham. It comprised a drop-in session followed by presentations from officers from the Environment Agency, and Essex and Colchester Councils.

We were disappointed with the lack of participation from Anglian Water. The event was well attended and included: reports, maps, and analysis by Guy Cooper (EA) of the weather patterns and circumstances which led to particularly acute flooding in parts of the village last June; details from Graham Robertson (EA) of a scoping project which included Dedham's Black Brook. Graham presented a number of historical and current maps showing how the route of the brook had changed over more than 200 years and other analyses of flood fields and occurrences which identified the pinch points and risk factors across the village. Attendees contributed much useful information which will be noted. The objective is to use the data collected to identify options for better management of water flow in the future which might include both



technical and preventative solutions from responsible agencies and work that might be undertaken by residents to better protect their property. Some community funding had been allocated for this project but there must be a clear cost benefit from the work undertaken with the potential reduction in flood risk to the numbers of people who might benefit. The

scoping project also now enables the EA to undertake modelling to better project the likely impact of changes that might be made and how work undertaken in one area might impact on other areas. DPC will continue to work with the EA on this project.

Charlotte Smith (ECC) then outlined the role and responsibility of Essex in water management, which relates mainly to ditches and other smaller contributories that were not the responsibility of EA. She reported on work undertaken elsewhere to identify and codify the position and condition of these features within the Parish which might then lead to remedial action being taken. Cont/.....

WHAT'S ON: MUSIC

MUSIC

❖ **Sat 25 Feb: Stowmarket**

Chorale *Sea Pictures* by Elgar and L' Estrange's *Ahoy!*; United Reformed Church.

❖ **Sun 26 Feb: 2.45 pm Kingfisher**

Sinfonietta Mozart's *Piano Concerto No. 12 in A*; Lion Walk Church Colchester. 3 pm **The Cut Halesworth** Behn Quartet: Haydn, Szymanowski, Beethoven. 4 pm **Stour Valley Arts and Music** The Vanbrugh Quartet; East Bergholt Church.

❖ **Sat 4 Mar: 7.30 pm**

Bury Bach Choir Handel and Purcell; The Apex Bury St Edmunds.

❖ **Sun 5 Mar: 2.30 pm**

Ipswich Orchestral Society

Classical Creatures, family concert; Ipswich Corn Exchange. 2.45 pm **Kingfisher Ensemble** Piano Quartet Recital; Lion Walk Church Colchester. 4 pm **SVAM** Young Musicians' Concert; Constable Hall East Bergholt.

❖ **Tue 7 - 11 Mar: 7 pm Aldeburgh**

Music Young people's music - 30th year; Snape Maltings.

❖ **Sat 11 Mar: 7.30 pm Eye**

Bach Choir Haydn's *The Creation*; Eye Church. 7.30 pm **Prometheus Orchestra** Beethoven, Respighi, Haydn, and Mozart's *Clarinet Concerto*; Felixstowe Academy; and at 4 pm on 12 Mar at Jubilee Hall Aldeburgh.



Trevor Pinnock
19 Mar

❖ **Wed 15 Mar: 7.30 pm Apex** Imogen Cooper (piano) with the Aurora Orchestra.

❖ **Sat 18 Mar: 7.30 pm Aldeburgh**

Music Club *Carmina Burana* by Carl Orf; Snape. 7.30 pm **Kingfisher Sinfonietta** Ravel, Debussy, Fauré, Saint-Saëns, Bizet; St Mary's Wood-

bridge. 7.30 pm **Suffolk Sinfonia** Mozart, Haydn, Brahms; Apex Bury.

❖ **Sun 19 Mar: 4 pm**

SVAM Kammerphilharmonie Europa; East Bergholt Church. 6 pm **Suffolk Villages Festival** Jonathan

Manson (viola da gamba) & Trevor Pinnock (harpsichord); St Peter's Church Sudbury. 7 pm

Colchester Chamber

Choir Palestrina, Guerrero, Victoria, Lassus; Coggeshall Church.

❖ **Mon 20 Mar: 7.30 pm The Mercury** Lesley Garrett (soprano).

❖ **Fri 24 Mar: 7.30 pm Apex** West Suffolk's young musicians.

8 pm **Studio Music** Kammerphilharmonie Europa String Quartet.

❖ **Sat 25 Mar: Tiptree Choral**

Society Mendelssohn's *Elijah*; St Luke's church Tiptree. 6 pm

Ipswich Chamber Choir Monteverdi's *Vespers*; St Mary-le-Tower. 7.30 pm

Colchester Choral Society *Gloria* by Vivaldi; and other works; Coggeshall Church. 7.30 pm

Colchester Symphony Orchestra Mozart, Haydn Beethoven; St Botolph's.

WHAT'S ON FILM, THEATRE

FILM

- ❖ **Fri 3 Mar:** 7.30 pm **East Bergholt Cinema** *Mustang*; Constable Hall.
 ❖ **Fri 10 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Ansell Centre, Hadleigh** *Bridget Jones's Baby*.

Wed 15 Mar: 7.30 pm **Dedham Films**
Sully: Miracle on the Hudson; Assembly Rooms.

- ❖ **Fri 24 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Ansell Centre X + Y**.

THEATRE

- ❖ **Fri 24 Feb to 11 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Mercury Theatre Colchester** *Bang Bang*, Georges Feydeau's farce adapted by John Cleese.
 ❖ **Sat 25 Feb:** 6 pm **The Mercury** *Half Of Me*. 7.30 pm **The Quay Theatre Sudbury** *The Six-Sided Man*.

❖ **Tue 28 Feb:** 7.45 pm **Lakeside Theatre Colchester** *Closer* by Patrick Marber to 1 Mar.

❖ **Wed 1 - 4 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Colchester Theatre Group** *Daisy Pulls it Off* by Denise Deegan; **Headgate Theatre Colchester**.

❖ **Fri 3 - 4 Mar:** 8 pm **The Mercury** *All The Little Lights*.

❖ **Tue 7 Mar:** 7.45 pm **Mad Hatter Productions:** Alan Bennet's *The History Boys*; **The Headgate**, to 11 Mar.
 7.45 pm **Sudbury Dramatic Society** *Ladies' Day* by Amanda Whittington;

The Quay Theatre to 11 Mar.

❖ **Thu 9 Mar:** 7 pm **National Theatre, London - LL Hedda Gabler**, a new version of Ibsen's play by Patrick Marber; **Lakeside Theatre and Firstsite Colchester**. 8 pm **The Mercury** *In Search of England* by the Colchester author Neil D'Arcy-Jones, to 11 Mar.

❖ **Tue 14 Mar:** 7.30 pm **The Mercury** Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale* to 18 Mar. 7.45 pm **Lakeside** *The Dumb Waiter* by Harold Pinter to 15 Mar.

❖ **Fri 17 Mar:** 8 pm **The Mercury** *The Machine Stops* based on E M Forster's 1909 short story.

❖ 7.45 pm **Headgate A** *Kind of Alaska & The Collection* by Harold Pinter, to 25 Mar.

❖ **Sat 25 Mar:** 8 pm **The Mercury** Gary Owen's reworking of Wedekind's *Spring Awakening*.

❖ **Wed 29 Mar:** 7.30 pm **Eastern Angles Theatre**

Company *The Strange Undoing of Prudence Hart*; **Assembly Rooms Dedham**. 7.45 pm **Headgate A** *Streetcar Named Desire* by Tennessee Williams, to 1 Apr.

❖ **Sun 2 - 3 Apr:** 7 pm **Headgate** *Pygmalion* by George Bernard Shaw.

❖ **Thu 6 Apr:** 7 pm **NT - LL Tamsin Greig** in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*; **Lakeside, Odeon, and Firstsite Colchester**. 7.30 pm **The Quay Theatre Sudbury** *The Time Machine* adapted from H G Wells's novel, to 8 Apr.



Hedda Gabler 9 Mar

PARISH COUNCIL

She indicated her willingness to work with Dedham Parish on a similar project and the consensus was that this would be a positive initiative. Given active participation from the village DPC will now progress this. Hannah de la Rue finally outlined the work she was undertaking at CBC on emergency planning and prevention from flooding and again demonstrated her willingness to work actively with Dedham on this.

DPC will now pursue the above work with a view to publishing information for the Parish on flood and water management which might include: roles and responsibilities, contact numbers, emergency planning and warning arrangements, identification of pinch points and risks and helpful information for residents on what might be done to better protect properties in vulnerable areas.

Thanks were given to all the above officers for attending and giving us such enthusiastic support. We also appreciated the attendance of both Anne Brown and Nigel Chapman.

Nicola Baker writes

BUSINESS RATES

The Parish Council is very concerned about the imminent rise in business rates which will affect many traders in Dedham. A meeting with the Colchester Business Rates Team will be held on March 21st 6pm-8pm at the

Marlborough Head. This meeting is by invitation only, but if you run a business in Dedham and would like to attend, please contact Christine Frost on 322296.

TRAINING

Councillors and Clerks attended an informative training session run by the Local Council Public Advisory Service with the aim of ensuring that our skills and knowledge remain up to date. Next meeting: Monday 6 March 2017, 7.30pm in the Duchy Barn
www.dedhamparishcouncil.org.uk
clerk@dedhamparishcouncil.org.uk
 01255 871483

Stour Valley Arts & Music

- **Sunday 5 March at 4pm**
 Young Musician's Concert
 Constable Hall, East Bergholt
- **Sunday 19 March at 4pm**
 Kammerphilharmonie Europa
 St Mary's Church, East Bergholt

Box Office & information from website: www.svam.org.uk
Email:
svamtickets@btinternet.com or
call : 01206 298426

NOTICEBOARD

MONDAY LUNCH CLUB

If there is sufficient support, it is hoped to start a 'Monday Lunch Club'. The Essex Rose (323101) have very kindly offered a 15% discount to anyone booking under this name. The first lunch will be at 12.30pm on Monday 6th March and then on subsequent first Mondays of the month

Ruth Higginson writes

MISSION SALE OF GIFTS FOR MOTHERS DAY

There will be a sale of gifts, flowers and cakes on Saturday 18th March at the Duchy Barn, ideal for Mothers Day the following week. This is in aid of the Missionary family in Africa and Beacon House in Colchester. If anyone has any unwanted gifts, Christmas or birthday, cut flowers or cakes and would like to donate them please ring Ruth on ☎322598 or Lynne on ☎322931.

Caroline Macrae writes

ARTIST STUDIO

An Artist's studio share, with kiln, is available for painting drawing and ceramic sculpture in Stratford St Mary. Call 322746

David & Vee Druitt, Beth Mitchell & Jill Strangward

VILLAGE QUIZ

On Saturday 28th January, 20 teams battled it out in the Assembly Rooms for the privilege of winning the much-coveted Dedham Quiz Cup and following a strong 2nd half performance the Dedham Tennis Club triumphed with an impressive score of 109.

The evening raised a fantastic £1,666.07 for the Colchester Hospitals Charity, Cancer Centre Campaign and the organisers would like to thank all those present for their generosity on the night. The raffle raised an extraordinary £655 and very grateful thanks to all the village organisations and individuals who donated prizes, which meant that all the money taken on the raffle was pure profit.

The date for next year's Quiz has already been provisionally booked and it is Saturday 27th January 2018.

LITTLEGARTH COTTAGES VACANCY At No. 4

There is a vacancy at No. 4 Littlegarth Cottages. The four Littlegarth Cottages were the gift of Miss Betty Mallett to the community. The Trustees of the Trust set up to administer the gift are the Vicar and Churchwardens. All income from the Trust is used to maintain and improve the cottages. The terms of the Trust Deed limits occupation "to house those in need or those who are elderly and in need or to use the Trust assets for the furtherance of religious and other charitable works" The accommodation is suitable for a couple or small family.

If you think you may qualify or if you would like further information please contact: Mrs Tracy Woods, Clerk to the Trustees, c/o The Parishes Office, High Street, Dedham CO7 6HJ ☎323921, tracy.woods@btinternet.com

**Closing date for applications:
30th April 2017**

NOTICEBOARD



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START AT EITHER CLACTON OR WALTON PIERS WITH A CHOICE OF 7
OR 14 MILES.

DOGS ARE WELCOME AS LONG AS THEY ARE ON LEADS



SIGN UP TODAY BY VISITING STHELENAHOSPICE.ORG.UK/PIERTOPIER17 OR BY CALLING 931468

Able Community Care is a Norfolk company which began in 1980 and now provides its services throughout the UK. Being an established

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vegetarian catering. The list covers England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

care provider we often receive questions from our clients, our carers and the general public relating to UK Care services and other Care issues. Here are some examples you may find useful.....

Question – I have two elderly relatives and I am their only ‘younger’ generation relative. When sadly they pass away I will have to make the arrangements that are needed. Where can I find some information that will tell me what I have to do?

Answer – I would log on to the Age UK website and download Factsheet 27 which sets out clearly the arrangements that need to be completed when a person dies, choices that can be made, etc. and gives details of other organisations that you may wish to contact. Their web site can be found at: www.ageuk.org.uk

Question – I am an older vegetarian, I have no close relatives and I am considering moving into a residential care home. How can I find out if a care home really does provide good, quality, vegetarian food?

Answer - VFL (Vegetarian for Life) is a UK charity dedicated to improving the quality of life for older vegetarians and on their website at www.vegetarianforlife.org.uk you can go to their UK list of care homes to find those homes which do provide good

Question – How can I find out if a relative has appointed a Power of Attorney?

Answer - To find out if someone has an attorney or deputy acting for them you can apply to search the Office of the Public Guardian registers to see if someone has another person acting on their behalf.

This can be: an attorney under a lasting power of attorney an attorney under an enduring power of attorney a court appointed deputy. You need to complete form ‘OPG 100’ to search the register.

This is a free service. The web site to go to is: <https://www.gov.uk/government/.../office-of-the-public-guardian>

Question – I work in an office where I work on a computer all day. I am told I can claim a free eye test, is this so?

Answer - If you work at a computer screen or VDU as part of your job you are entitled to obtain a voucher for the full cost of the sight test. This is laid down in the Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations 1992. You need to let your optician know that you have a voucher before you have the sight test. You may also be entitled to a voucher towards the cost of your glasses, but not towards the cost of contact lenses. Your optician will be able to advise you. (This answer came from www.patient.co.uk)



DEDHAM

CHURCH OF ENGLAND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED PRIMARY SCHOOL

Laura Valentine writes

This month's update from Dedham Primary School will take the form of a 'Top 7' although as you will see, it is impossible to rank the updates in any sort of hierarchical order given the amazing variety of events that need to be mentioned. Instead, the events will be listed in diary order to avoid upsetting anyone!

1. Following a very successful fundraising initiative, several members of Class 6 visited Southview School in Witham to see how the money that they raised had been spent on sensory equipment for children with significant learning difficulties.
2. The whole school enjoyed a recital by professional pianist Clare Hammond who also gave a workshop to our piano pupils. Thank you to Stour Valley Arts and Music for organising this for us.
3. Zoo4You visited Key Stage 1 and children had the opportunity to see and hold a huge variety of animals including snakes and a meerkat!

4. We held our second 'Understanding Christianity' day when all classes took part in activities to explore the four Gospels. Activities included making board games, making origami fishing boats and also hunting for a lost sheep!
5. Class 6 explored the Old Testament through storytelling, drama and multimedia in five super Bible Explorer workshops. This culminated in a performance of words and actions to share the whole of the Old Testament with the school and parents.
6. Congratulations to the tag rugby team who made it to the final of a local competition. Tag rugby is new to Dedham Primary School this year so to have reached a final is a terrific achievement! Well done Class 5 and Class 6!
7. Congratulations also to the children who took part in the Quiz Club General Knowledge competition. One of our Key Stage 2 teams has made it to a regional final which will take place in the spring.

And a sneak preview of what's to come in the not too distant future... Mad Science Day, World Book Day, a golf taster day, an Egyptian day and a competition with the Dedham Art Group! Remember that you can keep up to date on school activities by following us on Twitter @PrimaryDedham.

NOTICEBOARD

Dedham Players Spring 2017 Production - "God of Carnage" by Yasmina Reza

Another fine production, a clever black comedy to be staged
at Dedham on 26th to 29th April 2017.

*Adults can often be far more childish than their
offspring!*

*When two very different couples meet for the first time to discuss their
respective sons' playground brawl, it should be civilized enough.*

*Shouldn't it? Don't you believe it. As their manners start to disintegrate
with, at one point, a jaw-dropping episode, chaos ensues!*

*This is another must for your diaries. Look out for our main advert nearer
the time (tickets, £8, now available from www.dedhamplayers.org.uk
or Shakespeare House Gallery, Dedham).*

*Claire Nicholson, a supremely talented actress, will be directing God of
Carnage.*

Award winning both as a stage play and a film, God of Carnage will en-
thrall and captivate you. Book as soon as tickets become available.

DON'T MISS IT!



Bar Available (also
selling snacks)

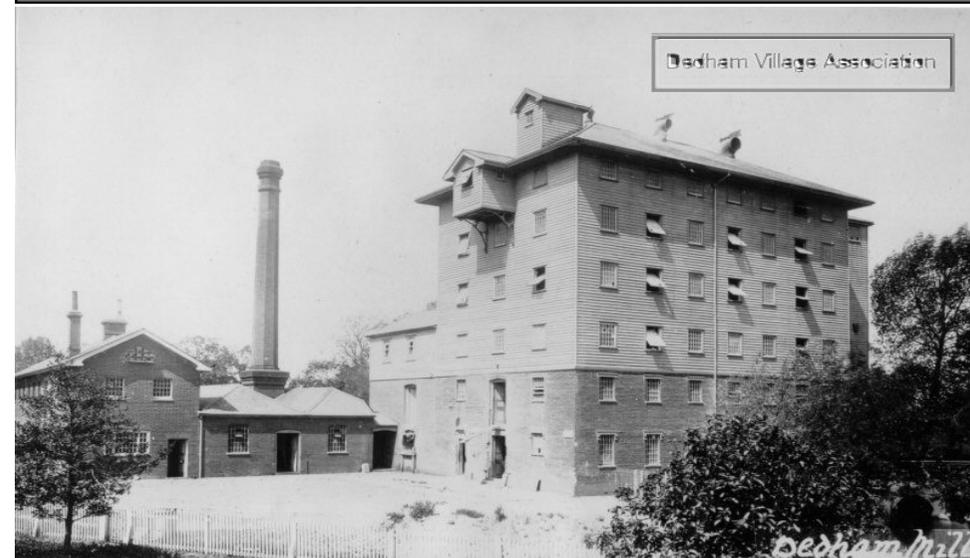
In aid of Dedham Parish Church

Ticket: £10 per ticket
(available from Jill Strangward)

Salsa Dancing

7.30 to 11 p.m. in the Assembly Rooms (doors
open at 7 p.m.)

BACK IN TIME



The Mill.

There was a mill at Dedham in Domesday, and presumably on the same site. The last millers were the Clovers who took over in the late 19th century. The mill closed in the early 1980s because of a fire. It was then converted into luxury apartments. The above photo is the Mill before the fire. (Source: Simon Gallup)

Dedham Youth Club

Presents an evening of

Bingo!

**Assembly Rooms
High street
Dedham CO7 6HJ**

Saturday, 25th March 7pm

Tickets can be bought as a table of 10 or individually. Ticket
price includes a simple supper and your first game
of bingo.

