

Longparish Village Fête and Fun Day

Saturday 7 September - 12 noon – 4pm

Longparish Cricket Field

Courtesy of Richard Wills and the Longparish Cricket Club

From Winchester Hat Fair and Dance Up we present

Joli Vyann

a professional company with a new fusion of dance and circus which will pull you into an imaginative and captivating experience

also

Juggling Jake

with clowning and circus skills for you to try

**Bouncy Pirate Ship
Win a Peppa Pig
Punch and Judy**

**A real Fire Engine
Fun Pet Dog Show
Whitchurch Fast Draw
Andover Town Band**

**Face Painting
Children's Games
Zumba Dancing**

Grand Draw - first prize £300

Appeals for donations to individual stalls are below, and bottles are also needed for the Bottle Stall - contact Jonathan Frere 720574

Champagne Draw BBQ Beer Tent Pimms Tent Teas
'The Best Fete in Hampshire'

We still need volunteers. If you'd like to help out with any aspect of the Fête you will be warmly welcomed!

Call Henry Yelf on 720790 or David Wearn on 720066

BRIC-à-BRAC STALL

Now is the chance to clear out your cupboards and donate any unwanted items to the bric-à-brac stall. We would be grateful for any of the following:

- Old china and other ceramics, costume jewellery, glass dishes, plates, vases, brass ornaments, old candlesticks, pictures, table linens
- Also small pieces of furniture [e.g. stool, what-not, plant stand or magazine holder].

Articles in saleable condition only, please.

No lampshades or old saucepans and we are not allowed to sell electrical goods.

Items can be left under our archway at Elm Lodge (just after Mill Lane towards the Cricketers) from Monday 25 August or if you need help delivering, please ring us after that date. Thank you – John and Jane Young 720233

CAKES FOR THE FÊTE

Please deliver to the stall at the cricket ground on the day or contact Pippa Sawyer 720315

PRODUCE STALL

I would be very grateful for donations of the following for the stall.

Jams and chutneys.
Fresh vegetables and fruit.
Plants and cut flowers.
Gardening tools, old and new.
Terracotta plant pots and other containers.
Anything else of gardening interest.

Items could be collected or please deliver to the stall on the morning. Thank you Wendy Ellicock 720386.

BOOK STALL

If you have any books to donate to Longparish Fête on 7 September please let me know and I will collect them from you.

Jenny Jolliffe 720207

SECOND-HAND ROSE

I would be very grateful for gifts and trinkets, and good-as-new clothing (no jumble please).

Cathy Yelf 720790

Longparish Playgroup

It has been another busy term for the children at Longparish Playgroup. On the Friday before Fathers' Day the dads came into playgroup and had lots of fun playing football and other games with their children. They were treated to some special flapjacks and muffins specially baked for them by their children.

We've been learning about different countries and bringing in photos of homes, special places and holidays. Some parents came in and talked about other countries they had lived in, including Australia and the Philippines. The children made postcards and addressed them to their mums and dads. They were collected and delivered by our local postman and caused much excitement in the homes of Longparish when they appeared through the letter box.

Summer is a great time of year to take full advantage of our beautiful location. The children watched the river being restocked with trout and walked around the Middleton Estate, enjoying being able to explore the vegetable garden there. One thing our location can't offer is a seaside, but that didn't stop the staff creating their very own beach in the playgroup. The children had a fabulous morning building sandcastles and paddling, but the highlight was definitely the ice cream van stopping by!

As the academic year comes to an end, so the playgroup has to say goodbye to those who will be starting school in September. 18 happy children graduated on 16th July in a short service at the Village Hall. They wore gowns and were presented with scrolls by the Revd. Terry Hemming. It was a proud day and a great opportunity to remember the many happy experiences the children have had during their time at playgroup. We wish all of the children the very best as they start on the next leg of their learning journey in September. Clare Nash



Longparish School News

Heron's visit to Salisbury

On Wednesday 3 July, Heron class went to Waitrose. We quietly walked through the café while some people were eating and drinking. We kept quiet because we didn't want to disturb them. After that we split into two big groups and we found out what activity we were going to do first. I was doing the cooking.

About five minutes later, we were cooking fruit and chocolate strudels. There was a lady called Sarah who helped us whenever we were stuck. Sarah was extraordinary. Meanwhile the other group was taking a tour of Waitrose (which included going behind the scenes). Later on we swapped groups and I went behind the scenes into a freezer – it was freezing. After that we tried three different types of cheese – from cows, goats and sheep.

Later on in the day, we got back on the minibus and went to have lunch at Sarum Hill. We saw the remains of a knocked down cathedral; it was a little bit weird.

After lunch we went to a mystery destination. We were desperate to know. Soon we found out that we were going to Stonehenge. In the old days, people used to take bits of Stonehenge. There were also bumps in the hill where they used to bury dead people.

I thought it was a fun day because it was full of adventure. Charlotte, Year 2

Swimming Lessons

Every Tuesday from 4 June to 9 July, Longparish Key Stage 2 children, 8 to 11 years, went to the Middleton House swimming pool. It was fun, although a little bit cold! We learned butterfly stroke and practised our front crawl.

We really enjoyed the lessons – especially when it was really hot! Eventually everyone loved the weekly swimming. The pool was deep at one end, which was very good for training. Mrs Flynn was our teacher, and she was fantastic. As well as teaching us swimming very well, on the last swimming lesson she let us have 5 minutes of fun. We did whatever we liked in the pool, handstands, dives. It was great fun! Maia Redden

Mityana One Pound Challenge

Chaffinch class (years 5 and 6) were set a challenge by Revd. Dodie where they were given one pound to spend on equipment or ingredients to make items so we could make the money grow.

We were going to raise money for Mityana, so we all planned our projects, made them and then sold our products to friends, family and parents. Our group (Jack, Zak and Charlie) got £15 in one night. Some people made cake, some biscuits, some sold strawberries and one person put cans up (if you knocked over 6 cans, you won a prize and if you didn't, then you could get water poured over your head!) Everyone put a huge amount of effort into this project.

In the end we made over £220! The pupils can have at least 5 geometry kits, which is enough for 50 children. Jack and Zak.

Longparish Sports Day

Creating our flags was the first activity of Longparish sports day on Wednesday 10th July. We were put into teams (named after famous sports teams). The banners were stunning and inspirational as we paraded around the field, chanting our raps or rhymes.

In the morning, we did activities in our teams consisting of: Gymnastics, Wimbledon, Tour de France (rolling 'wheels' as far as we could), rugby and the Ashes.

After a picnic on the field with our parents, the races started with the prestigious 60m sprint (KS1 was 40m), followed by the 60m (40m for KS1) hurdles. Surprisingly, hardly any hurdles were knocked down. After that, we ran the swimming race where you had to put a swimming cap on, run to collect a rubber ring, put a towel round your shoulders and then run to the finish. This race was optional. The final races were the sprint relays. St Andrews were congratulated as the overall winners.

Longparish Sports Day was a huge success due to Mrs Gregori and the assistance of the year sixes. The year six jobs included: setting up, putting away, handing out drinks, holding the finishing rope, escorting and helping KS1. The immense crowd hugely boosted the racers' confidence with cheering and encouragement.

By Simeon and Charlie C.

MUSIC FOR MITYANA
A night of classical & modern music for the girls of Uganda



In Mityana, Uganda, teenaged girls like Mary depend on your kindness to help them change the course of their lives. Please join us for a one-night-only performance by local musicians, and friends, on **Saturday 28th September**, at 7:30pm at **All Hallows Church, Whitchurch**. All proceeds from this concert will help extend the inadequate classroom and facilities at The Mubende Girls' Vocational School in Mityana, where 50+ girls are given hope through education, and are taught new skills to help equip them for independent living.

Tickets only £6 each

Available from Nicky Smallwood (07876 564761)
or from the Newbury Building Society, Whitchurch

NEWS FROM TESTBOURNE

Well the end of term has finally arrived and, for a few of us, the end of our time at Testbourne. Even though Year 11s have left, there was plenty to keep our minds busy.

Italy, Here We Come

67 present and past students are off for their groundbreaking "Music Tour" to the Lake Garda area of Italy. Instruments and cases were loaded ready for excited students and staff to make the 28-hour journey. It should be a wonderful experience.

In school, students have been involved in a number of end of term activities, including GCSE Art trips to paint

seascapes at Calshot, a Year 9 History trip to the Belgian Battlefields, a Sports Activity Day and a Rewards "outing" for those who reached their annual credit points total.

Years 7 and 8 See Sense

Years 7 and 8 provided the jury for a Street Sense Theatre in Education Workshop on Road Safety. The thought-provoking piece certainly focussed their minds on road sense and keeping themselves and friends safe, something I know you have urged us to remind students about when you have seen them stepping carelessly onto the road, often with earphones in. They overwhelmingly said they thought the show had been really worthwhile and made them think.

Staff Go Mad for a good Cause

Some of Testbourne's female staff members, including retiring and incoming Heads, proved that it is not only "mad dogs and Englishmen" who "go out in the midday sun", when 10 of them (and two daughters) took part in the Southampton Race for Life on one of the hottest days of the year, to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. Water, hats, sun cream, a thankfully shady, course and a fair bit of sheer determination saw all 12 make it back – team average time being 39 minutes.

Cricket Girls Win County Championships

It's not only the England Cricket team who have been enjoying success recently – with our junior girls' cricket team beating off all opposition, including Portsmouth Grammar School in the final, to be crowned County Cricket Champions. Well done girls!!

Staff News

As well as the retirements we have already reported, we will be sad to be losing Tom Pegler, Deputy Head, who joined the school in 2006. Tom is moving on to a post at Avon Valley School in Wiltshire – a school which also has a sixth form and will provide him with valuable and different experience, the next step on the ladder to, hopefully, leading his own school in the future. Tom has provided endless support for countless pupils and their families and been an excellent and highly respected member of our Testbourne team. He will be greatly missed.

Looking Forward to the Future

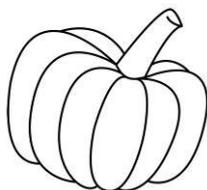
It is certainly strange to be writing my last "News from Testbourne". It has been an absolute privilege to be Head of this community school and to get to know all the different members of our Testbourne family - colleagues, students, families and friends in the wider community. In spite of turbulent educational times, teaching remains one of the best jobs anyone could wish for and I shall leave with countless happy memories. I am planning "a gap term", with some travelling and finding more time for friends and family, before taking stock and planning a useful but enjoyable next chapter. The fact that Ruth Beasley, our current Deputy Head, is taking over as Headteacher has made leaving easier – and I can think of no one better to take up the Testbourne baton. A recent visitor commented that Testbourne felt like a "school with a happy heartbeat" and I am sure it will carry on beating strongly under her care. Thank you to all of you for the support you have given to me and Testbourne over the years.

Hilary Jackson



17th Longparish Pumpkin Contest

Saturday 19th October



I hope your pumpkins are growing well! It's soon that time of year again - pumpkins, squashes, gourds, marrows of any shape and size - we want to see them all. There will be prizes for the heaviest and the smallest pumpkins, as well as the usual prizes decorated pumpkins. The decorated pumpkins can be shop-bought if you have not managed to grow your own. The contest will be held in the Village Hall starting at 3pm. Light refreshments will be available (no charge but donations welcome). It's free to enter but please support the raffle (all proceeds in aid of playgroup) and bring a raffle prize if you can.

For more information contact Sylvia Crook on 720792 or Laura Wearn 720066.

LCA - L2SOTM - The Longparish Second Sunday of the Month handicap race

We welcomed a new runner, Ben Jewell to the July race. It was the hottest weather for a very long time but despite that both James Masters and Christopher Edwards did their fastest runs ever.

First home and leading man from start to finish was Rob Biggs who broke his handicap by over two minutes. Most Improved Woman was Jacqui Healey and Sim Evans was our Rising Star.



Two juniors, Nina Smith and Jack Prince urged their parents to greater efforts from the comfort of bicycles but Jack and Lulu were seriously delayed when his pedal fell off!

Afterwards around 20 people enjoyed a well earned barbie by the river in Forton.

Thanks very much to Pauline, Sarah, Maggie and Emma for marshalling, photography and flapjack, to David for the signs, Jim for the cake and the Cricket Club for the lovely venue. The next race is on Sunday 11 August at the usual time of 10am. Everyone is welcome.

LCA Coffee Shop

The LCA Coffee Shop is on holiday during August. We look forward to welcoming you back on **Friday 13th September.**

Come along between 9 and noon to see if our new mugs make the coffee taste even better.

Contact Maggie about transport 720459

LCA Recycled Teenagers

Open Garden Tuesday 6 August

June and Bert Hoare will open their garden at 93 North Acre on Tuesday 6 August, 10.30am – 12 noon, to raise funds for the Recycled Teenagers' outings. There will be a raffle and a cake stall. All welcome. For further information, please contact Maggie on 720459.

Trip to Christmas Spectacular show on 21 November

It's summer so it must be time to start planning for Christmas! The Recycled Teenager have booked tickets for the Christmas Spectacular show by the Olde Tyme Players Theatre Company at Bashley in the New Forest on Thursday 21 November. A two course Christmas lunch & cream tea is included. If you'd like to join us please contact Maggie Barber on 720459.

Village Hall Auction of Promises

Thank you very much to everyone who supported our Auction by giving lots and by buying them and in many cases by both! The total raised was over £5,000. Thank you also to the many people who have sponsored chairs, to the LCA for giving £1,200 raised by the last season of Tuesday Talks and to

Karen-Marie Dinesen and Wendy Ellicock for giving over £600 raised at their Open Gardens. With the Hall's share of the fete proceeds we will reach our target and we expect to buy the new furniture in September.

We are very grateful to everyone who helped and especially to Karen-Marie Dinesen for inviting us to hold the auction in a marquee on her lawn and to use her beautiful gardens, to our Auctioneer, David Smith of Carter Jonas, and to Mick Blocksidge for all his help at Lower Mill.

The sample chair on display at the auction was one which St Mary Bourne recently bought for their hall. They may be what we need but we want to make sure that we take the views of users into account as far as possible before deciding what furniture to buy. If you would like to contribute to this process please contact me by Tuesday 13 August.

John Scott. Village Hall Chairman. Tel 720018

Plea about barking dogs

A villager has suggested that if your dog is turned outside in the fine weather it would be considerate to check that they do not disturb others by barking unduly, especially when you are out. Owners may get used to it but it can be a nuisance to neighbours.

Longparish Parish Council

Planning

The Council had no objection to the replacement of existing windows at Sirrah Cottage, Forton.

The Council (together with the District Councillor, Jim Neal) expressed disappointment at the decision to grant a certificate of existing lawful use of land as residential curtilage at Eastfield House.

The Council noted:

- The temporary change in the rules regarding the size of single storey extensions.
- The inspector's report on the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan.
- The current status of the Bullington Cross Wind Farm (together with the Keep Hampshire Green comments).

A report was also received on the informative visit to the Blue Haze site to view the operation of Raymond Brown's Incinerator Bottom Ash Aggregate (IBAA) processing facility in advance of them submitting an application to locate a similar plant within their existing site next to the Barton Stacey MOD training area. Raymond Brown subsequently ran Open Days at the site on 19 and 20 July.

Open Spaces and Footpaths

The Council agreed the funds to enable repairs to be carried out on the War Memorial and noted the request to hold a private party on the football field.

The equipment in the playground has been painted

Good progress was being made on the work to upgrade the spinal path from North Acre to Middleton, but concern was expressed at the report of an incidence of vandalism in North Acre.

Highways

The Chairman and Vice Chairman were due to meet a senior representative from HCC's Highways Department after the meeting to discuss a range of concerns, and feedback from this would be given at the next Council meeting.

The Council agreed to join the Parish Lengthsman's Scheme once a lead parish had been identified.

Parish Council Vacancy

A volunteer is still required to fill the vacancy on the Council, and anyone who would be interested in helping the Council in its work on behalf of the local community is asked to contact any member of the Council.

Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Village Hall committee room on Monday 9 September.

Meetings are public, and, by prior arrangement with the Chairman – Christopher Duxbury (Tel: 720580, or email: clerk@longparish.org.uk), parishioners are welcome to speak on specific agenda items.

BIRDS OF LONGPARISH

THE RED KITE



The red kite is one of my favourite birds, gracefully drifting across the sky, with the unmistakable fork in its tail. It was saved from extinction by one of the longest running protection programmes in the

world. It has now been reintroduced to England and Scotland. The red kites were reintroduced into Oxfordshire and other counties, but Oxford is nearest to us. They have spread at a very fast rate and we now see kites most days.

I think a pair nested quite close to Longparish this year for I have seen two adults and three young, so perhaps it won't be long before we have our own nesting red kites. The red kite has a silvery white head, glowing chestnut body plumage and upper tail, long black tips at the end of the wings and carpal patches with almost white underwing, pale chestnut under tail with a long forked tail. Some people have difficulty telling the red kite from a buzzard at a distance. The red kite's wings have a slight bend and are thinner plus the forked tail.

They start to nest in early April building a large nest in the fork of a tree or a fork in a large branch. Sometimes using the old nest of a buzzard, but will nest in the same nest year after year. The nest is made of large twigs lined with grass and other vegetation, sheep's wool and even paper and plastic. They lay 1 to 3 white oval eggs which are spotted red-brown. Incubation takes 31-32 days, and the young fledge after 48-50 days, sometimes longer if food is in short supply. The red kite is a predator and a scavenger. It circles looking for carrion but will also dive down on to live prey, though often unsuccessfully. It has been known to steal food from other birds such as buzzards, eagles, peregrines, hobbies and herons.

It has just dawned on me that I have been doing Birds of Longparish for four years. So if there is any bird you would like me to cover again please let me know.

chris bowman

Paula Vize

Open Studio 17 - 26 August 11am - 5pm daily

Due to a mistake Paula has been left out of the Hampshire Open Studios brochure.

Her studio at Walnut Tree House, East Aston, SP11, the 3rd house as you enter the village from the Hurstbourne Priors end, will be open to show some of this year's countryside, horse, hound and livestock paintings and portraiture in the usual varied media. Tel. 01264 720418 Email pvize@btinternet.com





Longparish Cricket Club

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In early July the Longparish cricket pavilion was broken into. Nothing was taken, but substantial damage was done to several doors and windows that have had to be replaced. Police have warned of a spate of such incidents in the surrounding area.

On the pitch the Longparish 1st XI shot to the top of the league table after an unbeaten month, The Longparish 2nd XI fared slightly worse winning two and losing two and sit mid table. Midweek 20/20 cricket has been something of a curate's egg. League form has been disappointing and two years after winning the top division title, Longparish face relegation to Division 2. In the cup competitions however, Longparish reached the semi final of the Igglesdon Trophy where they lost by 1 run to a Holybourne side fielding an England U17 batsman and a couple of Hampshire Academy players.

Colts cricket has been a huge success and fifty or more are currently in training on several nights of the week under the auspices of Longparish's ECB qualified coaches. The Longparish U11 have almost completed their league campaign in which Oliver Wills and Luke Benzing have shone with the ball and Hamish Janaway and Ben Parkin with the bat. The side also hosted touring side Primrose Hill U11 where Alfie Smith made his Longparish debut, getting off the mark with a well struck four. William Samway's Longparish U13s have yet to lose a league match, and he along with Callum Giles, Jordan Blackmore and Scott Sturt have been rewarded by selection for the Winchester & District Representative sides in the Hampshire Cricket Festivals. Longparish U15 have experienced a good run of late, Harry Samways has starred with the ball, and Jamie Blackmore and Dan Bearpark with the bat, several of the side play regularly for the Longparish II and Sunday sides.

Three Longparish cricketers all U18s, who first turned out for the club in the U11 side featured heavily in the recent Altham Cup final for Peter Symonds College, who, having seen off Farnborough, Brockenhurst and Barton Peveril faced Southampton based King Edward's at the Rose Bowl. Vice Captain, William de Cani top scored with 58, Ben Gardner hit 29 and Alex Coetzee 10. All three picked up wickets, Coetzee and de Cani three each and Man of the Match Ben Gardner, the key scalp of England U17 Joe Weatherley, clean bowled on his home track as PSC triumphed for the first time in 32 years.

Chris de Cani

100 Club May draw result

1. £35 Peter Herbert
2. £15 Matt Jackman
- 3.. £15 Clive Burnard



LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB

There is no meeting in August.

On Tuesday, 24th September we will be back in the village hall for a talk by Jonathan Garrett

"Back to Nature – Some of us never left!"



Hampshire & the Islands Historic Churches Trust

Ride and Stride

14th September between 10am and 6 pm

The annual sponsored Ride and Stride day is being held on Saturday 14 September. People of all ages, whole families or groups are invited to cycle, run or walk to visit churches in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and raise money towards the repair of historic churches. In 2012 more than 350 churches in the Hampshire and Islands region opened their doors and participants raised in excess of £50,000. Half of the money raised goes to your own local church.

You can select your own route and call at any church listed in the participating churches list. There are 27 churches open in the Andover area. It is a good opportunity to visit local churches and enjoy the unique heritage of our beautiful church architecture. St Nicholas will be open and providing refreshments for visiting cyclists and walkers.

If you would like to participate, please contact Jane Young (01264 720233 or j.young233@btinternet.com) for a pack containing a list of churches, stickers and sponsorship forms.

Age Concern - appeal for volunteers

Food and Friendship is a new free of charge service available to Meals on Wheels customers who would like a regular visit from a friendly volunteer around mealtimes. The service is run by Age Concern Hampshire and has been funded by Hampshire County Council and the District Councils.

The volunteers will call on Meals on Wheels customers at home and help make mealtimes a little more enjoyable, to chat about things that interest the client, and to let them know what is going on in their local community. The volunteers will also be able to offer ideas on healthy snacks and meals, for which full training and support will be provided by Age Concern Hampshire.

Social isolation and poor nutrition are issues that affect significant numbers of older people. If you have a couple of hours to spare each week at lunchtime please call: 01962 892455 or email:

food&friendship@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk

At the moment we are recruiting volunteers from all over Hampshire for this new Food and Friendship service.

FOLS 100 Club draw winners

- 1 I G Scott
- 2 R & J West
- 3 Robert Dawson