

Chailey News December 2017

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The Church of St Peter Parish of Chailey



WEEKDAYS

Monday 8pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 6.45pm Choir Practice

New ringers and choir members always welcome.

Transport to services can be arranged: please contact the churchwardens. The Church is open during daylight hours.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

Heron's Ghyll: Wednesday 9.30am Sunday 11.30am Holy Days 12 noon
Haywards Heath: Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 5pm
Uckfield: Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 9.30am
Lewes: Sunday 9am 10.30am

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St Peter's
CHURCH CHAILEY

DECEMBER SERVICES 2017

Sunday 3rd December *Advent Sunday*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Communion

Sunday 10th December *The second Sunday of Advent*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

Sunday 17th December *The third Sunday of Advent*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00 am Children's Christingle Service

6pm Carol Service

Sunday 24th December *The fourth Sunday Advent*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

3.30pm CRIB SERVICE

11.30pm Midnight Communion

Monday 25th December *CHRISTMAS DAY*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Christmas Day Family Service

Sunday 31st December *New Years Eve*

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

BCP is the Book of Common Prayer (1662). All other Eucharistic Services are from Common Worship: Order One. We welcome everyone warmly and families and children are always welcome at all our services.



"He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, he shall gather the lambs with his arm and carry them in his bosom and shall gently lead those that are with young."

Isaiah: 40v11.

Dear residents of Chailey.

The days of "More tea Vicar?" conversations in the Rectory are long gone. They have been replaced by a new language, this morning it went thus: "Gran I've had my 'phone confiscated at School, because I was checking my emails in the lunch queue. Could I just log onto your phone, to get snap chat and Instagram. I really need to do my 'streaks' and to get Spotify so we have my music in the car on the way to School?" and yes I understood! Enough of that nonsense.

Let me take you back to last Easter. It was the best Easter ever, nothing to do with the eggs, nor the daffodils, nor the lilies, not the hot cross buns, just the Cross and God's love and perfect timing. We were alerted on Easter Saturday to gentle knocking on the front door, the quiet tap that says "I'm really sorry to bother you, but we could do with some help because we are not sure quite what to do." We opened the door to find Paul and Jenny (not their real names) our broken hearted friends, now living elsewhere. They had returned back to Chailey to visit their son's grave, on the anniversary of his death, at Easter, seven years ago. A much, much loved son and even though they had other children now, I could still see the pain and sadness etched on their faces. Jenny said, "we were walking back to the car park from the graveyard and we heard a lamb crying, we went to look for it and found it shivering and crying in the brambles, it is obviously distressed." "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want."

My husband and I put on our "not sure what to do here coats" and walked towards the lamb. It still had its umbilical cord attached, so hadn't been born long. "God's people are His flock" Psalm 95. We untangled the lamb and wrapped it in a blanket that Paul had taken from his car. We were all emotional and felt very useless. Jenny and Paul's children watched the drama unfolding. The lamb's Mother was very uninterested at the other side of the field and it later transpired that she was a 'loose' sheep, with no morals, as she had recently walked half a mile to find an "intact ram, sometimes referred to as a Tup" (thanks Google) and ended up pregnant and had not told her Mother. As I glared across the field, which only had two sheep in, giving the Ewe my best 'call yourself a mother?' glare. I saw another lamb collapsed on the grass. The Vicar phoned the shepherd, the earthly one, not the Heavenly one, but they were away watching their flocks by night. Or washing their socks if you are a naughty choirboy.! We made a hasty plan. We took the twin lambs back to the Rectory. We told Jenny and Paul we would call them later with an update. We were so pleased they had found the lambs, it was getting dark and they surely would have died without their intervention and the twins offered just a moment of distraction from their grief. Just a brief respite and a bit of an adventure for the children on a sad and emotional day. We told them to go home as the children were cold.

It was touch and go but we turned the fan oven on to full blast in the kitchen and lay the twins in front of it hoping they would think it was the sun and start gamboling. We turned them every 10 mins to make sure they were fully warmed. In the meantime my husband raced off to Offham Farm because I remembered they were the nearest sheep "Theme Park" offering to "watch lambing for £4.50." I knew they would be our local 'Google', and they were. They were wonderful and my husband returned as a newly qualified Vet, with talk of iodine, stomach tubing, colostrum, checking they were not suffering from hypothermia, by placing one's finger in the lamb's mouth! They lent us feeding bottles, feed, heat lamps and everything we would need to keep the lambs alive. They could not have done more. Then the cavalry arrived and I've never been so relieved. It wasn't Mary (who had a little lamb, she who knew what to do). It was the shepherd, the earthly one and she went straight into action and did all that her expertise had taught her to do and she didn't even have to put on her, "not sure what to do here" coat.

That was ironic, I just looked on Google (new best friend) how to spell “Cavalry” because it has just been a 2 week half- term and I’m exhausted and don’t even know my name, let alone how to spell anything, but “Calvary” came up, with the definition “the place where Jesus was crucified” (for our sins) No I mean ‘CAVALRY’! The lambs left our care and moved in with the shepherd (and I knew how to spell ‘cavalry’). I phoned our friends and told them the latest “tales from a rural Rectory,” I heard the sigh of relief from them. I warned them maybe it would not be a perfect outcome, but thanked them for the part they played.

The following morning was Easter Sunday, the day the Lamb of God had risen (*Jesus Christ is referred to as the Lamb of God. This symbol points to Christ being a perfect sacrifice for sin. It also conveys his meekness and his willingness to submit to suffering and death). Daisy and I called and visited the lambs. The smaller one had not made it, but the first found one was gamboling. I was so excited and we asked if we could take it to Church, now Easter Sunday was more meaningful. The hope of the Resurrection. Daisy carried it in, wrapped in the blanket. All the children crowded round, the Easter egg hunt in Church temporarily delayed. The lamb was strong and full of life. We hugged it to ourselves. Out of the corner of my eye I saw Paul and Jenny and their children, they had returned to Chailey again after a long drive back here. I asked Daisy to take the lamb to them. Daisy bent down to show them the lamb and their faces were full of excitement and happiness, knowing they had played the biggest part in the lamb’s story, Daisy said quietly to them “thanks for saving the lamb.” Jenny’s eyes filled with tears and I knew that God had brought a little healing to a broken heart. To save the lamb’s life had brought them comfort on their son’s anniversary. A new memory now, as well. God had “carried that little family in His bosom and gently led those that are with young to himself.” People never die if they live on the lips of the living. They will all meet again. Isaiah 40v11.

Happy Easter and of course a very Happy Christmas

From all at the rectory.

December Parish Register 2017

Marriages

Fiona Green and Thomas Scott

17th November 2017

Illustrated Art Books

Notebooks with 20 fine ink drawings, by William Hobday, who’s drawings can be seen on the cover of the Chailey news magazine. With 60 pages of quality 120gsm paper.

Makes an ideal present. Cost is £12.00 each or £10.00 with a purchase of three or more.

Please call William on - 07811 252891 or email williamhobday@gmail.com

Christmas at Chailey Free Church

www.chaileyfreechurch.com



Messy Church - Joseph's Story

4:30pm, Monday 11th
Crafts and games, stories and songs, followed by a tea



Carol Service

4pm, Sunday 18th
Service followed by a tea
Led by John Goodway



Coffee Stop Party & Carols

4pm, Friday 22nd
Tea Party & Carols
No Coffee Stop in the morning



Christmas Eve Carols & Readings

6:30pm, 25th December



Christmas Day

10:30am, 25th December
A short service to share this special day with your family



Christingle Service

4pm, Sunday 31st
Service followed by a tea
Christingles provided



Chailey Free Church, A275, South Chailey, BN8 4AN
Contact us for details on 01444 471600 or 01273 890114
Email: contact@chaileyfreechurch.com

A Sighting in the Woods

I was walking in the fields behind Lower Station Road between The Old Coal Yard and the railway embankment close to Oxbottom Lane with a huge arch today when I am sure I saw a wallaby! It was seen by my dog who chased it across the field into the woods where he abandoned the chase. Has anyone else see this wallaby?

Deborah Cameron Moore



St. Peter's Christmas Tree Festival



Saturday 9th December 10am-5pm. Sunday 10th December 12noon-5pm. Come and see the beautiful trees decorated by local societies and listen to seasonal music provided by Amelia Burchell, singer on Saturday and Robinswood, a Christian worship group, on Sunday. Refreshments available. Entry Adults £3, children under 16 free. Christmas draw will take place on Sunday afternoon.

Chailey Commons Society

As another year draws to a close, the commons are now in winter mode with the bracken collapsed once again and paths and vistas have opened. The restored areas are now filling with new growth and the new scrapes are already showing the emerging heather plants to form the lovely heathland landscape. The next stage of winter works will be focused on Lane End Common clearing the young birch back to a tree line and the mosaic of habitat will be allowed to develop. Also to receive attention will be the west side of Romany Ridge with a similar push back and clearance of birch regrowth and some tidying up of Memorial Common which is now looking magnificent with the new heather areas well established.

Our Indoor meeting in October had a last-minute speaker change and we were lucky that Michael Way from the Millennium Seed Bank Wakehurst Place came along to give us an excellent recount of his travels seed collecting in North America.

For our Fungus Foray on Lane End Common we were guided by Melissa Waddingham who told us all about our discoveries on the common and showed us the features of this interesting world of autumn growth.

There is no indoor meeting in December so our next one will be on Thursday January 11th, 2018 at 7.30.p.m. in Chailey Village Hall when Carol Hart will tell us about her amazing research trip to the Outer Hebrides islands off Scotland. Parking and refreshments and visitors welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

I wish you a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

For further information, visit our website – www.chaileycommons.org.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/chaileycommons/

William Coleman 01444 831098



Our final meeting of 2017 will take place on Tuesday 5th December when Ian Gledhill will speak on The Magic of Panto. He is an acclaimed speaker so we know we are in for a treat. In November we were entertained by Jim Whelan who has been in show business for 50 years, starting as a comic singer in theatres and clubs and progressing to TV including Coronation Street, Emmerdale and more recently Home Fires which was based on members of the WI in War Time. His regular appearances on Coronation Street came when the plot demanded a vicar and he was called upon.

We have a busy time between now and Christmas. There will be our annual Christmas Lunch, a Carol Service at Barcombe with WI's from the surrounding villages, a theatre outing and craft days where we will all be busy making decorations for our Christmas Tree for the Festival at St Peter's church.

The Whist Drive is on Saturday 2nd December at 7 pm at the Village Hall and the £3.50 admission charge includes refreshments, prizes and a raffle.

Any prospective members and guests are very welcome to join us on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall for a nominal charge of £3.

Margaret Smith 01825 723519

Chailey Evening WI Whist Drive

Saturday 2nd December at 7.30 pm Chailey Village Hall

Refreshments, Prizes, Raffle - Admission £3.50

From the Parish Leaflet December 1898

A less serious one from happier times before the Great War. Perhaps not such a good idea to hold a Temperance meeting just before Christmas?

'Our monthly temperance meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th December. Miss Constance R. Gant will give a lecture entitled 'A chat about eating and drinking.' The lecture will be fully illustrated. We have to complain that these meetings have hitherto been for the most part very poorly attended. Our friends who come to us from great distances often and at no little inconvenience to themselves, must we fear get a very poor idea of what we Chailey people think of the sin of intemperance. Miss Gant comes from Horsham and we do hope that people will make more of an effort to come forward and show that we are not behind hand in our parish on this question.'

Note: The British Temperance movement tried to reduce drinking by closing as many pubs as possible. In 1908 Prime Minister H.H. Asquith—although a heavy drinker himself, proposed closing about a third of the 100,000 pubs in England and Wales. The brewers organized a stiff resistance, and the bill was defeated in the House of Lords.

Annette Shelford

NADFAS The Arts Society

NEWICK & DISTRICT DFAS PLUMPTON VILLAGE HALL. December 12th 2.15

That Pretty Little German Toy - Thoughts on the Christmas Tree

For this Christmas lecture Peter Medhurst the renowned scholar, pianist, singer and lecturer-recitalist will tell us the story of the Christmas Tree. Most people seem to think that Prince Albert was the first to make it part of our Christmas tradition but in fact the fir tree has been used to celebrate Winter festivals, both pagan and Christian, for thousands of years. Its branches were used to decorate homes during the Winter solstice to remind people of the Spring to come.

This lecture will be musically illustrated with Peter playing and singing and, believe me, he is really superb and has sung all over the world, so we are extremely lucky that he is visiting us in Plumpton

The lecture will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies. The cost for the lecture is £7 for non-members. For further information please contact our membership Secretary Ann McNorvell 01825 721458 or newickdfas2017@gmail.

Happy Christmas! Annette Shelford

Chailey And District Horticultural Society

December is a month when other activities tend to take precedent over the garden. However there is still a lot that needs doing.

It is important to ensure that all fallen leaves have been cleared from the lawn, borders and vegetable garden.

Finish pruning currants and gooseberries and now is the time to take cuttings. With currants take a stem about 20cms. long, just below a bud at the bottom and just above a bud at the top and leave all buds in place. With gooseberries a slightly longer stem of about 30cms. is needed and rub off all the lower buds leaving 4 or 5 at the top. Once prepared make a slit in the ground and place the cuttings 30cms. apart before firming back the soil.

Prune vines. Most amateurs grow vines in doors in a rod and spur method. This means a permanent horizontal branch with lateral spurs which produce the fruit. After picking the last of the grapes cut the laterals back to the main branch leaving a spur of 2-3 cms. Time also to start pruning apples and pears. The main object is to remove crossing and diseased branches and shorten new growth.

For sweet pea and runner bean growers now is the time to dig a trench about 50cms. deep and start filling it with green manure, kitchen waste and shredded newspapers. Growing sweet peas and runner beans together is said to improve pollination. Rhubarb needs dividing every 5 to 7 years and this can be done now while the plant is dormant. Dig up the clump and roughly divide with a spade. Discard the woody centre and replant the outer parts with growth buds on them. Cover with a good layer of compost and well rotted manure. If ordering potatoes from a catalogue do this as soon as possible as delivery will start at the end of January.

Having had a couple of frosts parsnips can now be dug and sprouts picked to accompany a lovely Christmas Dinner.

Happy Christmas



Chailey Parish Council

The Sports Pavilion, North Chailey – a third update

This is the third update on the progress made by the Council on the proposed project to refurbish the Sports Pavilion in North Chailey. It should be read in conjunction with the two previously published updates.

The outstanding issues over the conditional approval for the works issued by Lewes District Council Building Control have been resolved.

The refurbishment project is now funded. The Council has received a donation of £10,000 from Chailey Sports Club, which funds will be applied to the project. The Council has received consent to borrow £38,000 from the Department for Communities and Local Government and its application to the Public Works Loans Board to actually borrow the money has been approved. All the Clerk has to do is to call the Board and the money will be transferred within two days to the Council's account.

The Council has resolved to enter into a contract with Chrysalis Construction Limited ("Chrysalis"). The contract sum is £63,591 exclusive of VAT. A very few minor items are being discussed with Chrysalis which may alter this sum by a small amount. It is expected that the contract will be signed shortly with work starting as soon as possible thereafter.

A further update on progress will be published as soon as practicable. In the meantime, if anyone has any questions or comments, please address these to the Clerk at the Parish Office.

The Parish Council's meeting with East Sussex County Council Highways

The Parish Council meets with East Sussex County Council Highways every three months; the next meeting will be on 11th December 2017. Any resident with a specific comment or complaint, which they would like to be raised at the meeting, should send this to the Clerk at the Parish Office as soon as possible and by 8th December 2017 at the very latest.

At the Council's previous meeting with Highways it was agreed that the Police will, for a period of three months, place additional 40mph restriction notices along South Street. The Police have also agreed to note (for occasional action from the Spring) the problem of motor-cycle noise and speeding on Sundays over this stretch of the highway.

Developments at North Chailey Crossroads

The landscape here is changing – or is it? Here’s what the players involved have been saying.

At the garage, granted a licence several months ago to sell alcohol overnight in spite of strong local opposition - no building work has started on the new hatch required. The external work would be expensive for Motor Fuel Group, partly to comply with current law on disabled access. If challenged on this, MFG which is ultimately American owned, could be taken to court, and they are not keen on unnecessary financial risk. The store manager and his immediate boss both think the overnight proposal commercially impractical. MFG still has the right to go ahead at any time with their original plans, but the view on the ground is now that it is unlikely to happen in the near future – if indeed at all.

Over the road plenty of building activity on the new ‘Kings Meadow’, courtesy of Rushmon Homes. The first block of 4 one bedroom units should be on the market through Cubitt and West by March. The remaining nine units, as accepted by the Planners last year, should then complete by mid-summer. All building is weather dependent, but at the moment ahead of schedule. Graham, the project manager, is very welcoming to interested locals, and plans in due course to invite us to a ‘hard hat day’ when he will escort us round the work in progress. Watch this space.

The pub is still separately owned by the original developer; earlier this year Lewes Planners turned down an Application to convert the whole building into flats. So the search still goes on for a lessee to pull the pints once more, presumably when the building work outside is complete. The Planning agreement still includes two apartments on the upper floor.

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Build It Purple For Chailey Heritage School



A Sussex builders merchants has launched its #BuildItPurple initiative for its adopted charity in the South East, Chailey Heritage Foundation. The charity, synonymous with the colour purple, will receive 25p for every specially designed Build-It-Purple bag of aggregate purchased from Chandlers Building Supplies over the next three months.

An extra £1 will donated for every photo of a Build-It-Purple bag shared by anyone on social media using the hashtag #BuildItPurple.

Sue McKinney of Chandlers Building Supplies said: “We estimate raising about £3,000 for Chailey from this initiative and perhaps even double that if the public also gets involved.

“We are asking everyone to help us with this fundraising effort. If anyone spots a Chandler’s Build-It-Purple bag anywhere just share the photo on twitter, instagram or facebook – using #BuildItPurple. Every photo shared will result in an extra £1 going to the Chailey’s D.R.E.A.M Centre project.”

The £2.6 million D.R.E.A.M Centre Appeal aims to build a modern, accessible indoor activity space where children and young people with complex disabilities and health needs can participate in a mixture of arts and physical activities.

With 10 builders merchant branches throughout the South East, Chandlers Building Supplies is confident that there will be over 1000 Build-It-Purple bags around the region.

Jennifer Hanraads of The Chailey Heritage Foundation said "It's great to have Chandlers Building Supplies involved with this project and we are extremely grateful for their continued support over the years. Let's get #BuildItPurple up and running!"

www.thedreamcentreappeal.org.uk



100 Club winner for November was number 61 – John Smith, congratulations John and thank you for your support.

We have had a great bonfire season this year. The outmeetings have been well attended this year – thank you to all the members who took their time to represent the village – you did us proud! Chailey was represented in Burgess Hill, Fletching, Newick, Lindfield and Hastings.

Thank you to everyone who came to our own bonfire night, it was lovely to see so many of you out on the procession route and to those who joined us at the memorial service at the green. We had three float entries this year. Rev John Maskell and Sharon Davey had the difficult task of judging and placing the floats.

1st Place – The Langley Shield for Best Dressed Float – The Barnes Family

2nd Place - The Presidents Shield - Windmill District Guides

3rd Place - Runners up - Chailey Rainbows and Brownies

Congratulations to everyone involved.

We could not have held Bonfire night without all the helpers before, during and after celebrations. Our list of thanks is huge and we unfortunately we cannot name everyone individually. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who was involved. Our thanks to Chailey Litter Pickers who did an amazing job of cleaning up the procession route on our behalf.

If you have any feedback about Bonfire Night please contact us via email with your comments (good or bad). We can't promise to implement your ideas to improve our Bonfire Night, but they will be read. If you have any photos or videos of the evening that you would like to share, please email them to contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk so we can add them to the archives and share them on our website and Facebook.

Our final event of the year is our Senior Citizens Christmas Party on 2nd December at Chailey Village Hall 12.30pm – 5.00pm. Entertainment and transport is provided. If you or anyone you know would like more information, please contact Jane Stent on 01273 400632 or jane.stent@btinternet.com.

Our Grand Raffle Tickets will soon on sale. We have some amazing prizes on offer including a fantastic Christmas Food Hamper, an Off-Road Buggy Driving Experience, a 2-hour family photoshoot and so much more. Tickets are £1 each and available from Yasmin 07376 071248, The Five Bells or by contacting us through our website or Facebook page. The draw will take place on 15th December at 8pm in the Five Bells.

We are pleased to have a licensed bar facility for special occasions, parties etc. If you would like more information, please contact Diane Palmer on 01273 401900 or email secretary@chaileybonfire.co.uk.

You can follow all our exploits and find out more about our events on the Chailey Bonfire

Society website <http://www.chaileybonfire.co.uk> or join our Facebook group – just search for “Chailey Bonfire Society”.

The bonfire society committee wish you all a very Merry Christmas.



02 MOBILE PHONE SUBSCRIBERS - UPDATE

Residents have been extremely proactive in trying to deal with the lack of service they are experiencing. I have also been contacted by others in Chailey with similar communication problems.

Reporting back: I am dealing directly with Executive Relations and whilst this problem has not been solved – at least I am speaking with a helpful human being, not a robotic voice and someone that understands customer relations and we speak on the ‘phone – not a recorded message.

It is imperative that our rural areas have good communication, especially when so many spend days working from home rather than getting in your car or trying to get a seat on a crowded train. Together with residents, I will continue to try and help solve this problem.

KING'S HEAD (what was) North Chailey roundabout

Local residents are keen for this new development to be a success (see note from local resident, Michael Ryder). Clearly, householders adjacent to the site must have their boundaries respected and protected.

Currently, there is no interest in taking on the old King's Head as a pub. We all know that it has been on the market for a long time. It's disappointing.

There will be no housing association or council housing that is available below the market cost level. Registered providers (Housing Associations) were offered the opportunity through the S 106 agreement, but due to lack of interest, the applicant has instead paid Lewes District £127,000 to provide 'affordable' housing elsewhere in the District. Many of us find this a pity, but we cannot force Housing Associations to take on projects.

Affordable Housing: subsidised housing provided by a council or housing association which is available below the market cost level. This can include homes rented at rent levels at approximately 50% of the local market level (social rented), homes rented at affordable rent level at approximately 80% of the market rent (affordable rent), homes that are sold as a part buy/part rent (shared ownership) or homes that are sold as a part equity purchase (shared equity).

WELL DONE CHAILEY BONFIRE SOCIETY

Another terrific Bonfire Night and a marvellous firework display. In case anyone missed putting a coin or note into the box, it's not too late to give a donation. As I have said many times before – fireworks are expensive. Thanks for all that the hard working volunteers do for our community.

I wish everyone in Chailey a very healthy, happy Christmas and New Year.
Cllr Sharon Davy (Chailey and Wivelsfield) Email sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk

Telephone: 01444 831 336

OTHER LOCAL NEWS



Sussex Police Choir

Join us for Christmas carols, festive songs, mince pies and mulled wine.

Sunday 3rd December, 2.30pm, St. Mary's Church, Barcombe. FREE entry, with all donations to Sussex Disability Charity, The Bevern Trust.

The Friends of Newick Health Centre in conjunction with St Mary's Church, Newick

The Dementia café run by Knowdementia has been going well in November, the last date of meeting will be the 19th December when we shall be having Xmas with Full Beam. The Cafe will re-open on the 2nd January and will run weekly every Tuesday 1.30pm until 4.30pm

The Café is open to all having severe memory problems, Alzheimers etc. So if you are a sufferer or knows someone who is then encourage yourself and others to come along. If you need transport to get there and home then please ring 018257220 and I will attempt to arrange some transport.

Peter Todd - Chairman The Friends of Newick Health Centre

Newick Country Market

Newick Country Market is held every Friday from 10am until 11am In Newick Village Hall on the A272

Christmas is fast approaching and the market will be in the festive mood with mince pies, sausage rolls, cakes, puddings and Christmas cards available.

We also have a good selection of locally grown vegetables, some of which are organically grown, home baked cakes and savoury items which are always popular with customers, as well as eggs and preserves. Handmade greetings cards and knitted items, paintings, animal portraits and plants are also available. Orders can be taken for any of the above.

All items on sale are produced by members of the market and our food producers have the required standard of food hygiene certificate.

Christmas orders will be available for collection on either Friday 17th or 22nd December which is the last market of the year. The market takes a short break over Christmas and New Year and re-opens on Friday 12th January 2018.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our customers a Happy Christmas and New Year.

Newick Amateur Dramatic Society

presents **“DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER”**

A COMEDY BY MARC CAMOLETTI
ADAPTED BY ROBIN HAWDON

DIRECTED BY CIARAN KIELY

Bernard is planning a romantic weekend with his chic Parisian mistress in his charming converted French farmhouse, whilst his wife, Jacqueline, is away. He has arranged for a cordon bleu cook to prepare gourmet delights, and has invited his best friend, Robert, along too to provide the alibi. It's foolproof; what could possibly go wrong.....?
Samuel French Ltd.

Why not come along and chase away the winter blues and have an enjoyable evening with plenty of laughs to cheer you up.

Wednesday 6th – Saturday 9th December 2017

Tickets £9 NEWICK VILLAGE HALL, BN8 4LE Curtain up 8.00 pm - Doors open 7.15 pm

Box Office : 01825 722359 or 722985 or Email : info@newickdrama.org or direct from Newick Butchers or at the door

Pestalozzi Annual Christmas Concert

This year it will again be held at St. Michael's Church, High Street Lewes, at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th December. The cost of admission is £12 payable at the door, or £10 by telephoning in advance to 01273 475172. This includes mince pies and tea/coffee. Roger Durston, former Director of the East Sussex County Music Service and founder of the East Sussex Bach Choir, is directing them again this year with a selection of carols and other works, old and new and with opportunities for audience participation.

This year's guest soloist will be Lucinda Houghton, soprano. She has performed as a soloist and choir member with most of the leading London-based professional choirs and consorts, and in Sussex concentrates on teaching, coaching and choral workshops. As part of a talented musical family, she is no stranger to the Choir; her twin daughters were members, as is currently, her younger son!

Last but not least will be the Pestalozzi students' own contribution. All are from families in social or financial need and have demonstrated both high academic ability and a motivation to help their home communities. They come from as far afield as India, Nepal, Bhutan, the Tibetan communities in exile, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Belize and Indonesia. All proceeds go to the Pestalozzi International Village, a multi-faith, multi-cultural community based at Sedlescombe, near Battle.

Chailey News - January Issue

The deadline for the January issue of Chailey News is 12th December. To avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e-mails for spam please:

1. Send items to chaileynews@chec.co.uk
2. Include "Chailey News" in Subject section of the e mail.
3. If a new subscriber or sending from an e mail address for the first time please phone us on 01825 724376 so we are aware and able to look out for it.

Best wishes from everyone at CHEC