



## Blists Hill sweetshop is a hit

Pictured here are Bunbury School Year 5 pupils on their recent residential visit to Ironbridge. Their teacher, Richard Harley, writes: "The children's behaviour was impeccable. They ate really well, particularly the cooked breakfasts at the Coalport YHA. The children loved spending their Victorian money at the sweet shop at Blists Hill and decorating tiles at the Jackfield Tile Museum. This year's talent show was particularly interesting with a group of singers and dancers in outrageous costumes dressed as superheroes."



## Young medics Laura and Katie head for India

Bunbury's Katie Everton and Laura Mulcahy, currently in their fourth year studying medicine, write:

"This summer, as part of our undergraduate medical training, we are travelling to one of the most deprived areas in India to work with the Gwalior Children's Hospital Charity. This charity works with poor, disadvantaged children, women and the elderly to provide them with basic healthcare that we take for granted. The charity has set up a children's hospital, an orphanage

for children with special needs, and a mobile clinic which provides care to those living in slums and remote areas, that otherwise would not have access



to treatment. This is a cause that is very close to our hearts, and we are looking forward to learning from the inspirational doctors there. Before we depart we are trying to raise as much money as we can to help them with their cause. If you would like to help us you can donate at:

[www.justgiving.com/katieandlaura](http://www.justgiving.com/katieandlaura)

The money goes directly to the charity and a small amount really does go such a long way. Thank you so much."

**Katie and Laura**

## Scout hut crisis

Well after the 11th hour, further legal obstacles were put in the way of the go-ahead for Bunbury's new Scout Hut. Large grant offers were about to be withdrawn as their deadline passed. In a final effort to get this project off the ground, Scout and Explorer leaders worked late behind the scenes and delivered documents to London in person. The project was saved, thanks to their determination. Thankyou!

## Join us at church this Easter

**Good Friday:** St. Boniface is open for meditation between 12 noon and 3pm with prayers from 2pm to 3pm.

### Easter Sunday

**8.00am** Holy Communion, St. Boniface

**9.30am** Holy Communion, St. Jude's

**10 am** Family Communion, St. Boniface

**6.30pm** Holy Communion, Calveley



**HAPPY EASTER!**

## Community

Congratulations to **Pat Edgley** on the safe arrival of her latest grandchild.

Congratulations to **Lisa Chivers and Richard Harris** who were married at St. Boniface on 26th February. The groom's sister, **Caroline Briggs Harris**, sang "Panis Angelicus" during the signing of the register.



Happy birthday to Bunbury's **Lynne Simpson**, and to her near neighbour, **Graham Griffiths**, who achieved a combined century in March.

Best wishes to **Jean Healey**, recovering from a knee operation.

We are sorry to report the recent deaths of **Bessie Pinnington and Dorothy Rowland**. (More about Dorothy Rowland on page 7)

Not content with running the London Marathon in 2008, Bunbury resident **Chris Jones** will be going back for more on the 25th April 2010. Hoping to cross the finish line in under four hours, he is raising money for **Alder Hey Children's Hospital**. "My daughter Megan, now a healthy and 'chatty' Yr 1 pupil at Bunbury School, was in intensive care there when she was a baby and needed an emergency operation. It's an amazing hospital with wonderful staff, that badly needs money to help save more children's lives. If you would like to sponsor me I would be extremely grateful."

[www.justgiving.com/chrisjonesmarathon](http://www.justgiving.com/chrisjonesmarathon)

**Tom Crotty** writes "I have foolishly decided that I will run a 10k before I expire - albeit the one may lead to the other! I've entered the **Delamere Forest 10k** in July and should you care to encourage me in this folly and help **Cancer Research**, donations would be gratefully received at" <http://www.runningssponsorome.org/tomcrotty>

We are not supposed to put **used batteries** in our domestic waste now, so you may be interested to know that Bunbury Co-op provides a disposal bin on the counter. There is also a bin at the waste disposal area at Nantwich Sainsburys, next to the bottle banks.

**Cheshire Wildlife Trust** welcomes used mobile phones which it recycles to raise funds for its work: please contact 01948 820728 if you have any unwanted phones.

**Martina Phillips** writes that Children's Society boxes will be opened in April. They can be left in church.

**Laura Mulcahy and Katie Everton** have asked us to thank all those who donated so generously in church on March 14th. Over £200 was raised. (See front page)

The **Nantwich Singers** are organising a Sing-a-long-a- **Gilbert & Sullivan** evening on 5th June. Ticket details next month

Many thanks to **Rachel Thompson**



who as an aspiring journalist offered to help with the Link this month. We put her straight to work and you can see the results on pages 4 and 6.

Do you have any **greenhouse staging or benches** that you don't need and would be willing to donate to Bunbury School? (see p8). Please contact Elaine Crotty 260648 if you can help.

**Cheshire Crimestoppers** is an initiative where anyone who has information on crimes being committed can report them on a dedicated number. Callers are completely anonymous and the call is not traced. Ring Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit the youth website at [www.shadowcs.co.uk](http://www.shadowcs.co.uk)

**The Link** can be read online during the week before your copies are available. Look on our website

[www.stbonifacebunbury.org.uk](http://www.stbonifacebunbury.org.uk)

If you don't have a magazine delivered you are welcome to pick one up from church.

This month please pray especially for **John Mason, Paul Rathbone, Claire Dickens, Brenda Miller** and the families of **Dorothy Rowland and Bessie Pinnington**. We pray for all those suffering in body, mind or spirit.

Please note that the May Link will be available one week later than usual, on Sunday 2nd May. Contributions by Thursday 15th April please.

**Our Vicar is Rick Gates. He is always available in times of sickness, bereavement or any distress. Contact him at The Vicarage, Vicarage Lane, Bunbury, on 01829 260991, 07715 178750 or [rick@prayer.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:rick@prayer.fsnet.co.uk)**

### Other church contacts:

Peter and Kath Collinge (pastoral support)	260077
<b>St. Boniface</b>	Churchwardens: Barbara Croley 260344
	Walter Done 01244 332563
	Secretary Neil Dewson-Smyth 261680
	Flowers Margaret Bourne 260944
<b>St. Jude's</b>	Churchwardens: Brigid Sayce 260865
	David Wright 260467
	Secretary Ann Posnett 261154
	Organist Ann Badrock 260343
<b>Calveley</b>	Churchwardens: Barbara Croley 260344
	Walter Done 01244 332563
	Organist John Batchelor 261056
	Secretary Sue Woodward 01270 522822

[www.stbonifacebunbury.org.uk](http://www.stbonifacebunbury.org.uk)

The Link is edited by **Lucy Munro 260487**, and **Jill Robey 260081**.  
Email [lucykmunro@hotmail.com](mailto:lucykmunro@hotmail.com)

# The leap of faith

'Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."'

(St. John 20, 27)

A photographer was trying to understand just what faith really means. He'd taken the cable car to the top of one of the mountains in the Bavarian Alps, and there he was trying to get a good photograph of the paragliders, those people who soar like a bird into space, supported by nothing more than a narrow parachute. The weather seemed to be turning a bit nasty as a huge, black cloud hung over the edge of the valley. The photographer doubted whether it would be safe to jump in such conditions and then one of the sportsmen, in a yellow jumpsuit and with a bright yellow parachute took his run across the ridge of the mountain and launched himself into space.

At that moment the sun came out and a beautiful rainbow stretched from mountain to mountain in front of the black cloud. The camera clicked and the photographer had captured the image of a lifetime: the paraglider trusting in his fragile parachute to

support him as he leapt into the rainbow. It was the perfect illustration of 'the leap of faith'.

In any kind of relationship there has to be a leap of faith. When a couple fall in love they inevitably discover a lot of facts about each other. She's beautiful; he has a good sense of humour; she's affectionate; he's headstrong; she loves cooking; he can boil an egg in an emergency – and so on. None of those facts on their own are sufficient to establish a permanent relationship. Before taking that decisive step you decide at some level deeper than reason alone that you trust the other person and choose to spend your lives together. And so you step out in faith and, as it were, gamble your future on your belief that everything is going to work out. It's not a kind of blind faith – you have reasons to believe that you're probably right. But those who cling to any doubts they may have and refuse to make the leap of faith are unable to establish a deep relationship.

Poor doubting Thomas was one of those. He believed in Jesus but couldn't quite bring himself to trust the reports he'd heard that Jesus was alive once more – for Thomas it was just too good

to be true! He'd seen Jesus do many things which seemed impossible – wasn't it probable that Jesus would surprise them again? Yes, 'probable', thought Thomas, but not 'certain'. Thomas needed visible proof. Then for a while he put his doubts on hold and went to the upper room where he had last seen Jesus before his crucifixion. And there was Jesus, alive again, and inviting Thomas to touch the wounds. Instead Thomas made the leap of faith and claimed Jesus as 'my Lord and my God.' He didn't wait for absolute proof – instead he put his whole trust in his Lord and Saviour.

It's the same for you and me. We study the evidence and decide that it's probable that Jesus is alive – probable but not certain. And at some point we have to make the leap of faith. Like the paraglider who trusts his life to that thin strip of material, we have to leap into the rainbow and put our whole trust in Jesus. But when you've taken that leap and found that the living Lord Jesus does uphold you, you know that the gamble really was entirely worth it!

Happy Easter!

**Eric Wallington**

## Catholic Mass at St. Boniface

Roman Catholics are invited to celebrate Mass in Bunbury's ancient church this month. Rick Gates hopes the occasion at St. Boniface Church will help to highlight the similarities between the two traditions, rather than the differences.

"I find it heart-breaking that many Christians who believe in the same Christ cannot worship together," he said, "so I am very pleased that Father Joseph Carney Parish Priest at St. Thomas à Becket in Tarporley has agreed to celebrate Mass with us."

During the service on April 7th, Father Carney will only be able to offer the elements of communion to Roman Catholics as there is a fundamental difference between the two Christian traditions. Catholics, he explained, believe in the sacrifice of the Mass; that they are actually drinking the blood and eating the body of Christ. "Many

Anglicans see this as a symbolic celebration only," he said. "And that difference is very real."

Rick is hoping that Tom Crotty, who grew up as a Roman Catholic and is now an Anglican lay reader at St Boniface, will deliver the sermon.

Father Joe said he hoped many Catholics from Bunbury would make a special effort to attend the 7pm service. "There are a lot of Catholics in the village," he said.

**Sue Briggs-Harris**



**Bunbury  
Good Companions  
presents the farce**

### Dying to Meet You



**Bunbury Village  
Hall  
Thurs-Sat  
13th-15th  
May**

**Tickets £7 to  
include nibbles**

**Door and bar 7.30pm  
Performance 8pm prompt.**

**Tickets available from Monday  
April 12th (table reservations for 8  
also available) from Jo Perry  
260500.**

# News from St. Jude's

St Jude's church hall has recently been decorated both inside and out and it is looking rather splendid. The external work was done by John and Glynn Lloyd, a pair to keep in mind for any decorating requirements we might have in the future. The church hall is available for hire to any member of the public : please ring 260555 to book.

A reminder that the St. Jude's Vestry Meeting will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April at 7pm. The meeting is open to all members of the parish, so do come along and who knows – you could get a job helping to run the show.

Newcomers to the sick bay this month include Wyn Lloyd, who has been falling about but we are pleased to say is now well on the way to recovery, and, more recently, Michael Morgan-Wynne - we understand is making

progress and is becoming an expert in the art of crutches. Please do remember them in your prayers, and our other friends who are not too well at this time.

The Service for the Women's World Day of Prayer held in St Judes on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March was a great success. We have heard that the singing was something special: congratulations to all the ladies.

Congratulations are also due to **Margo and Don Elsdon** who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Our love and best wishes to you both from all at St. Judes.

Easter will soon be upon us. Our Easter Day service is on 4<sup>th</sup> April when we will have the support of the Alpraham Singers, who will help us to make it a great celebration of hope and expectation.

**Bob Gardner**

## April Diary

### April

4	8.00am	<b>Easter Day</b> Holy Communion	St. Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Jude's
	10.00am	Family Communion	St. Boniface
	6.30pm	Holy Communion	Calveley
7	10.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface
	7.00pm	Catholic Mass (see p 3)	
11	9.30am	Morning Service	St. Jude's
	10.00am	Family Communion	St. Boniface
	6.00pm	Evensong	St. Boniface
14	10.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface
18	8.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Jude's
	10.00am	Family Worship	St. Boniface
	11.00am	Matins	Calveley
21	10.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface
25	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Jude's
	10.00am	Short Communion Followed by annual meetings	St. Boniface

### May

2	8.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Jude's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Calveley
	10.00am	Family Worship	St. Boniface
5	10.00am	Holy Communion	St. Boniface

# Bunbury's got talent

Friday night's excitement is still being talked about! Who could fail to enjoy the enthusiasm and talent of these young entertainers? On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March the Scouts put together their own talent show and if you weren't there then you missed out! Boys and girls aged 1 to 14 pulled out all the stops to make it an evening to be remembered.

Bunbury Scouts have been working hard raising money for their new Scout Hut: with a £50,000 grant from WREN, and £47,000 from the Borough Council, they were within £20,000 of their target. After much fundraising activity and now with the talent show under their belts, the target is within sight. The show was the final fabulous finish!

The evening contained many wonders, from rock bands to magic acts and pop groups. The quick wit Freddie Ashworth had the crowd roaring with laughter. The audience enjoyed performances from Aqua, JLS, Grease, Jay-Z and

Jedward (plus friends). The act that really made us all hoot with enthusiasm, and even resulted in Amanda the Guest Judge being moved to tears, was the tremendous novelty act involving 20-plus different songs and dances all performed by three extremely fit boys. With hardcore rock, a bit of 'Greased Lightning', 'Ice Ice baby', 'Thriller' and even break dancing, this act left us open mouthed as Gus, surely a star in the making, continued to jump around the stage! A definite 10 out of 10 for effort.

The comical double act of the hosts kept the audience entertained throughout the show. The

audience and raffle raised £480. The finale saw all the performers joined by leaders and audience for a lively performance of "This is it" to rapturous applause. I left the Village Hall feeling elated and singing along to the final hit.

I think if the new Scout Hut even vaguely represents the evening I witnessed, then it's going to be an architectural masterpiece!

## Rachel Thompson



# Two minutes - Peter Jones



Peter was born in Birmingham and brought up in a close family with two older sisters and four male cousins. As a youngster he was a drum-playing member of The Boys' Brigade, and aspired to be a journalist. He met and married Helen, then Rob was born in Suffolk and Claire in Yorkshire, before the family moved to Bunbury, (via Ashbourne!), where they have now lived for nearly 18 years. Peter has spent the whole of his working life in the food industry, latterly doing his bit to encourage obesity by making delicious muffins, doughnuts and garlic bread. Peter is a keen golfer and is

also proud to have been part of the successful lottery bid to build the Bunbury Cricket Pavilion.

**1. If you had a motto what would it be?**

'Cheer up - there's always somebody worse off than yourself.'

**2. It's a celebrity beer call. Where is it, who do you invite and why?**

In the Dysart because the Eastgate beer is fabulous; Ernest Shackleton, as he was one of the greatest leaders. Failed to take his men to the South Pole, with

disastrous consequences, but brought them all back alive.

**3. What would the title of your biography be?**

'Smile and the world smiles with you'.

**4. What was your first job?**

A Mr Kipling Cakes van salesman.

**5. Who would you make prime minister?**

Vince Cable

**6. Where did you meet your partner?**

Loughborough University and celebrating 30 happy years this year!

**7. What is your biggest regret in life?**

Not seeing Queen live in concert.

**8. If you could change something about Bunbury, what would it be?**

Stopping the traffic chaos outside the Co-op.

**9. What is one thing about you people may be surprised to learn?**

That I am a member of the Institute of Advanced Motorists.

**10. What would you most like to achieve in the next 12 months?**

Lose a stone in weight

**11. If you were granted one wish what would it be?**

Peace throughout the world

**12. Where is your favourite place and why?**

The Lake District, because the beautiful scenery always recharges my batteries.

**13. Where and how would you spend your ideal weekend**

In the Lake District with family and friends, walking in the hills with our dog Coco, with dinner at Lucy's of Ambleside.

## Bunbury - a wonderful place to live?

Of course it's a wonderful place to live, otherwise we wouldn't be here, but what makes it so wonderful? That's my question.

We are lucky to have a village that is so pretty, a beautiful welcoming church with a picturesque pub opposite. The Dysart holds so many fond memories for me, especially as it's where I met Chris (the rest as they say is history!), not to mention our excellent medical centre which I use more by the week!

We have Burrows Butchers and the Co-op which means we don't have to venture too far for our daily essentials (and a bit of a social along the way) - and of course all the pampering you need at the local salons.

Do these make the village 'wonderful'? Yes - but it's not the reason for my little article.

As I write this I have just finished my first course of chemotherapy for breast cancer. As many of you know, this has been a particularly tough time for me. Despite the considerable journey ahead there is always light at the end of the

tunnel and I really do consider myself to be one of the lucky ones. My next course is not supposed to be as aggressive, so fingers crossed!

I am constantly overwhelmed by the support of our family and friends. The cards I received included so many kind words - most of which made me cry (I admit I'm emotional even at the best of times) - and offers of help with Poppi or Alfie, with the housework or just a listening ear for when I needed it. You may also be surprised to know that there actually is a local laundry fairy, or several, (though they may not like being called fairies!)

Friends have brought scrummy meals for us when I have been having treatment and when I am neither use nor ornament in the days afterwards. Although they say, 'Oh, it's nothing', I know it is quite something when everybody leads such busy lives. Poppi and Alfie get very excited, asking "Who is bringing our tea tonight?" and if this is the only thing on their minds at that moment then I'm happy.

Most of the time my house looks like a florist's shop or a cake shop, which cheers us all up. The gifts that have so thoughtfully been sent make it feel more like it's my birthday.

Friends who have taken time to text and chat on Facebook have been a lifeline when I have been indoors and not felt like venturing out. I look forward to my 'good week' when no doubt you will see me out and about picking Poppi and Alfie up from school and just enjoying the fresh air and seeing everybody for a chat. I feel so good on this week it's easy to forget.

So, for me it is most definitely the people who make Bunbury a 'Wonderful Place to Live'. I feel truly blessed to have so many wonderful friends here and to all of those people I would like to say a very truly heartfelt thank you for everything you have done for me, Chris, Poppi and Alfie.

With sunshine smiles to you all,

**Claire Dickens**

# The rollercoaster of fashion Rachel Thompson

You can pull out your old leggings and bright floral tops. You can hunt out your biking boots and don your baggy jumpers: the retro '80s and '60s are back in style.

Though many women thought they'd seen the last of their tight leggings and jeans, they were wrong. The new fashion is floral and tight fitting trousers. So Bunbury ladies, there's no need to go out and spend all your money on new clothes, just look in the back of your wardrobe, put on the nearest top, and call it vintage!

Fashion has always been a rollercoaster of what's in and what's definitely out, but we also have our old favourites that can just be worn again and again. These special items can be accessorized to make them as hip as

anything Vivienne Westwood sells.

Remember the '60s with the floral t-shirts and chunky military boots? Well they are back and the latest trend on the high streets. The need to buy new things is no longer upon us, the older it is, the better it looks!

I wouldn't recommend wearing your old maternity jumpers and cleaning leggings, though they really were comfy. The new 'frumpy' jumpers are more about looking oversized, while fitting like a glove. And for those of you who used to dress in your stocks and jackets, for an evening out, but feel it's out of fashion now - well, you couldn't be more wrong! Young women are heading the new fashion craze for hunting gear. - jodhpurs and checked shirts are flying off the shelves.

Cone-shaped heels are the new shoe trend: mid height and sporty - finally, a comfortable alternative to those fierce mega heels! Give your feet a welcome breather, while looking fabulous!

This spring is also bringing back leather shorts, tailored blazers, tropical and African prints, body-con fittings, denim shirts and maxi dresses. How many of you can say that you have all these items in drawers gathering dust? So the next time your daughters tell you that you don't have the first idea about fashion, you can reply that you've been there, done that and actually have the t-shirt!

The fashion of the '50s, '60s and '80s is back for good, so grab your lacy tops and striped leggings, and step straight onto the catwalk!

## Caroline's 26.2 mile walk

Cancer Research chose an ideal time to ping a round-robin email into my inbox. 'Caroline, what are you doing on 17<sup>th</sup> April?' it asked in its subject heading. I was a little bored at work, trying to motivate myself, and rather than do some work, chose to enter a 26.2 mile overnight sponsored walk in Manchester. This was back in October. As I write this with just over 4 weeks to go, reality dawns.

It is a jolly long way. Still, I am fortunate enough to enjoy the good health to be able (in theory) to complete the challenge. Training has been a little, erm, irregular to say the least. And walking is rather time-consuming. The training schedule provided says I am supposed to be doing about 20 hours a week at the moment. Ah well...

I am walking in honour of our very own vicar, Rick, and my fundraising is specifically aimed towards earlier detection of bowel cancer. Please do visit my webpage

[www.sponsormetoshine.org/  
carolinebriggsharris](http://www.sponsormetoshine.org/carolinebriggsharris)

and be as generous as you can be. I intend to print off the page and its messages of support to help get me round when the going gets tough. And as we all know, when that happens, the tough get going. Yes, that is one of the many tracks on my iPod for the night. Along with the Vengaboys, but we don't talk about that. Many thanks.

**Caroline Briggs-Harris**

## Xmas Quiz Answers

- |                     |                               |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Epiphany         | 15. Frosty the Snowman        |
| 2. St. Stephen      | 16.                           |
| 3. Nevada           | a) Inn                        |
| 4. Osprey           | b) Angels                     |
| 5. Mahon            | c) Santa                      |
| 6. Onion            | d) St. Mary's                 |
| 7. Bells            | e) Express                    |
| 8. Shoes            | f) Life                       |
| 9. Yellowstone      | g) Nightmare before Christmas |
| 10. Christmas Rose, | h) Martians                   |
| 11. Iona,           | 17. Sesame                    |
| 12 Rick's Café      | 18. (Sir) Cliff Richard       |
| 13. Eleven          |                               |
| 14. Alexandre Dumas |                               |

## Alleluia!

As I write, our family awaits a new arrival. The waiting seems endless and agonising, yet we look forward with faith to a time of pure joy and fulfilment.

So must it have been with Jesus, waiting and agonising in the dark garden before his arrest, so alone, abandoned by his sleeping disciples, knowing he was to be tortured and to die, before he would conquer death once for all, and rise in glory.

**Lord, without your resurrection  
our faith would be empty  
and without hope.**

**But you are alive,  
and we rejoice and dance and wonder  
in the mystery of your presence among us.  
Jesus has risen from the dead! Alleluia!  
By his cross he has defeated the power of evil,  
and through his resurrection we are set free. Alleluia!**

**Amen**



## Olive Lowe - Unconditional love

Olive Lowe's daughter Suzanne recalls happy times with her mother:

"My childhood was nothing short of idyllic, you and my Dad were very settled together and we spent many wonderful hours at home at Woodworth Green. You had lived there since you were nine and that's where I picture you most. That is where you were happiest. It was evident to me from an early age that you were contented with a very

simple way of life, never craving expensive holidays or beautiful possessions, never needing to stray far from Bunbury. The one thing that gave you the most joy was being in the company of your friends and family, surrounded by laughter. It concerned you deeply if someone was sad.

I was so lucky to have a mum who loved me as totally and unconditionally as you. I have always felt that love, and

hope that I have given you enough in return. You have always been the one I have turned to for advice and reassurance in good times and in darker moments, and you have never failed me.

God bless, Mum,

**Suzanne.**

## Dorothy Rowland a kind and loving lady

Dorothy was born in Bunbury and lived in the same house on Queen Street for the whole of her life. She was very close to her mother, Alice, whom she looked after in her later life. Dorothy and her sister Nancy attended Bunbury Girls School. The family was very involved in church activities and one of the highlights of Dorothy's childhood was being Rose Queen. Her cousin Eric was one of the page boys.

When Dorothy left school she went to work in Cholmondeley Woods and later, when war broke out, became a member of the Land Army. Dorothy loved working outdoors and was often seen around the village on her bicycle. In summer she would pick wild berries

from the hedgerow ready to be made into pies and jam. Dorothy enjoyed working for Mrs Combs in her café where she was able to meet many people. She met her future husband, Cecil (Cis), at Cholmondeley and they were married in 1947. They had three children - Diane, Graham and Philip - and Dorothy stayed at home to look after the family. She was a good cook and was often complimented on her delicious home cooking. Beef stew was her speciality. Cis worked on the railways and one of the perks of the job was subsidised rail travel. Dorothy enjoyed many happy family holidays travelling by rail to various resorts around the country, including Llandudno, Skegness and Morecambe.

In her spare time Dorothy went to bingo and whist and was a member of the Mother's Union.

When her children grew up Dorothy became grandmother to six grandchildren - Paul, John, Hannah, Grace, Luke and Alex, and recently a great nana to Mya and Joseph. Dorothy really enjoyed treating her grandchildren to Easter eggs, meals out and outings by train.

Her family remember especially the eightieth Birthday Dorothy had at the Nags Head in Haughton. She is remembered as a kind and loving lady who will be sadly missed.

**Graham Rowland**



The YCs pictured after the service they led at St. Boniface on 21st March

## Bunbury young artists

The Bunbury Young Artists Competition 2010 will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at the Bunbury Pavilion.

The competition is open to anyone 16 years or under from Bunbury or the neighbouring villages. Prizes will be awarded for the winners and runners up of each age group. All entries are exhibited on the evening of 22<sup>nd</sup> April from 6.30 to 8pm.

Entry forms can be collected from 12<sup>th</sup> April from Mrs Blanche Wilgose, Lisadel, School Lane, Bunbury. Entries must be returned to the same address by 21<sup>st</sup> April.

# Thirty years of school dinners

Between them, two members of Bunbury School dinner team have cooked up around thirty years of school dinners. (We reckon that's well over half a million meals!) Sadly, catering assistant Anne Bostock, who has been at the school for 23 years, and Kath Roden (pictured), who has clocked up six years as catering supervisor, are both retiring at the end of April. They have seen lots of changes in their time at the school, most recently the Jamie Oliver campaign against turkey twizzlers, but everyone who eats them agrees that Bunbury School meals today are delicious change from the braised liver and sago that the parents of today's pupils. had to endure.

Children and staff would like to thank Anne and Kath for all their hard work and care over the years and wish them both a very long and happy retirement. As Kath says, 'I will really miss the children but it's time to do something new!'



## Gardening thanks

Many thanks to the parents who gave up a couple of hours (on an international rugby weekend) to help with the heavy digging needed to prepare our new plots for planting (see picture). Special thanks to the ever-willing Nigel Overy for the initial rotovation, It was particularly good to see some new faces turning up to help.

The school's gardening and eco club will soon be cultivating soft fruits and potatoes, as well as looking after several hundred spring bedding plants they are planning to sell to parents later in the spring.



## Curry night and quiz.

Thanks to everyone who turned out for the school curry night and quiz. was a great success. Spices of Nantwich provided an indian feast for over 100 guests and the night raised £750 for school funds. Thanks to Andy Lawrence for the fiendish quiz!



On the same night Key Stage 1 teachers organized the infant sleepover providing babysitting for parents attending the curry night. Contributions totaled almost £1200 which will go to provide extra equipment in Key Stage 1. Year 1 teacher Susi Waddington was impressed at how well the children settled down and the first ones did not wake up until nearly 7 next morning.

## Groan!

"She was engaged to a boyfriend with a wooden leg but broke it off."  
 "The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered."

Thanks to Peter Collinge for these howlers.

# The Gathering 2010

St. Boniface youth worker Laura Warrington writes: Last month some of our young people went to a national youth event with over 1,600 young people present. The music was great and all who went were challenged and encouraged. At a loss as to where to go for our meagre Sunday lunch, we opted to eat in the car! We had a lot of fun and are looking forward to next year!"



Remember the Bigger Picture film night for 11-18 year olds on alternate Thursdays at Bunbury Methodist Chapel. Entry is free. 7-9pm. Contact Laura Warrington 07763 408609 for details.

**Tarporley High School**

# Curry Night

**22nd May**  
**7.30 for 8.00pm**

**Tarporley Community Centre**

**Tickets £ 10 from the school, includes**  
**3-course Indian Buffet and Pimms on arrival.**

**Raffle**  
**Bring your own drink**



**Finest Quality**  
**Goat, Pork and Lamb**  
**Home cured Bacon**  
**Pancetta and Salamis**  
**Gammons to order**

Why not book us for your hog roast?

Come and visit us on  
 Open Farm Sunday, June 13th  
 Radmore Green Farm  
 1 mile past the Nags Head at Haughton

Open Tues-Friday or order online  
 Free local delivery

Tim & Marnie Dobson 01829 260437  
[www.chestnutmeats.co.uk](http://www.chestnutmeats.co.uk)  
[tim@chestnutmeats.co.uk](mailto:tim@chestnutmeats.co.uk)

**Winner Best Speciality Meat '09**

## Johnson Building Contractors

**General builders, maintenance and property repairs. Free estimates 260228**



## J&M Cars

(based at Wettenhall)  
 Private Hire/Taxi Service  
 4-16 seaters

**Airport/Station, Business, Weddings, Restaurants and all social occasions**  
**Lady drivers available**

Tel: 01270 528006 or 629788 Mobile 07951 590 756



[www.jandmcars.co.uk](http://www.jandmcars.co.uk)



## RS Developments

All aspects of building work undertaken:

- Extensions
- New builds
- Alterations
- Joinery/plastering
- Stonework

Call Richard Spibey for a free estimate  
**07766 525184 or 01270 528559**  
 Parkside Farmhouse, Calveley Hall Lane, Calveley CW6 9LB.

## Howard Anderson

For all your painting and decorating needs

**01829 260450**  
**07968 901167**



## R.F. Burrows & Sons

Family butchers est.1924

Finest quality, locally-sourced, additive-free meat and poultry

Gold award-winning sausages

Good selection of cheeses

Bacon and cured meats



**01829 260342**

**NATASHA MARSHALSEA**  
*Photography*

[www.nmphotography.co.uk](http://www.nmphotography.co.uk)

Tel: 01829 260 697  
 Mobile: 07811 431 822

## Fancy Dress Hire

Over 400 costumes  
 Medieval, 1970s, 1920s, film stars & many more  
 Wigs, hats & party products.



**Charlie Vegas: 262470**  
[www.charlievegas.co.uk](http://www.charlievegas.co.uk)

## SWP ELECTRICS LTD

**YOUR LOCAL ELECTRICIAN**

- ALL DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL WORK CARRIED OUT •
- TESTING AND INSPECTION OF PROPERTIES •
- LANDLORDS' CERTIFICATES •

**NO JOB TOO SMALL, WE DO THEM ALL**

- ✓ PROMPT RELIABLE SERVICE
- ✓ FREE ESTIMATES
- ✓ INSURANCE BACKED GUARANTEE

Tel **01928 740415** or **01928 740237**

Email: [swpelectrics@btinternet.com](mailto:swpelectrics@btinternet.com)

Stephen Warburton, SWP Electrics, Ashfield House, Tarvin Road, Manley, Cheshire WA6 9EW

PART P DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL INSTALLER APPROVED





## Creating Space with Style

- \* Architect's Design Service
- \* Conversions and Extensions
- \* Planning / Listed Buildings Applications
- \* Building Regulations Submissions
- \* Fully Qualified, Experienced Architect

For an initial free, no obligation on-site meeting contact: Edward Webb  
 Chester: (01244) 570 765 /  
 Mobile: (07951) 311 116  
 edward@edwarchitecture.co.uk  
 www.edwarchitecture.co.uk

## Tarporley Service Centre

Car services and repairs  
 MOT testing  
 Tyres, exhaust and batteries

Trading standards approved

Fast, efficient, friendly service

Birch Heath Road, Tarporley  
**01829 732253 or 733737**

**Excellence comes as standard**



# DELL

- Cheshire's only direct supplier of DELL
- Specialists in upgrades and repairs
- **Broadband provision**
- Internet & E-mail service providers
- **Full networking and cabling service**
- Virus removal & reconfiguration
- **Comprehensive web design & E-commerce solutions**
- Efficient personal service

Kevin Thompson  
 01829 261685  
 M 07773 321779  
 kevin@ditnet.co.uk



Digital information technology Ltd

## JACQUI FRENCH HAIRDRESSER

TEL: 01829 261818  
 MOBILE: 07809 110862



## Aura

*Holistic Beauty Spa*

- Exotic facial & body treatments
- Waxing, eyelash tinting, Manicure & pedicure
- Aromatherapy
- Sports & remedial massage
- Reflexology
- Indian head massage
- Reiki, Hopi ear candles
- Bridal & evening make-up

Wyvern House  
 Bunbury Lane, Bunbury  
 Tel: 01829 260330

### SPANISH: PRIVATE TUITION

- Holiday & Business Courses
- Beginners & Intermediate
- All levels available
- GCSE & A level
- Individual or Group

Contact: 01829 260320  
 spanish.tuition@hotmail.com

## Andrew Dean

(Dip. N.T.C., C.G.L.I., A.V.C.M.)



Piano tuning, repairs  
 And restoration  
 Tel: 01829 261222  
 andrew@pianodean.co.uk

## THE SALON

Bunbury Lane  
 (above the old Huckleberry's)

Mon-Wed 9am-5pm  
 Thurs-Fri 9am-7pm

25% discount for over-50s and students on Mondays and Tuesdays

We look forward to seeing you!  
 07921 853590

## DM AUTO SERVICES

Your local independent garage  
 Servicing all makes and models.  
**M.O.T. Testing Station**  
 Bodywork repairs  
 Free collection and delivery within 10 mile radius  
 Courtesy cars available



Wardle Service Station  
 Calveley, Tarporley, Cheshire  
 Tel: 01829 260230/260811  
 Fax: 01829 261100

# SOVEREIGN WINDOWS

*Established 1984*

Quality Windows  
 High Security Internally Glazed  
 Fully Guaranteed for 10 Years

Tel: Philip Stubbs 01829 260166



## CAB Rural Advice Service



This is now based at the  
doctors surgery in Bunbury  
every Wednesday from  
10-12 and the van is at Bickley  
Hall every Thursday from 10-12.

## St. Jude's Church Hall

Available for hire  
New kitchen and ample parking  
Telephone 01829 260555

# VIA STRATA CONSTRUCTION LTD

## 01829 772500

[WWW.VIASTRATA.CO.UK](http://WWW.VIASTRATA.CO.UK)

- Bespoke New Build • Extensions • Barn Conversions •
- Listed Buildings • Industrial • Commercial •



**BURROWS**  
Electrical Contractors &  
Property Developments

For all your  
electrical and  
building  
requirements



Tel: 01829 730738  
[burrows.ecpd@googlemail.com](mailto:burrows.ecpd@googlemail.com)



## Mercer & Co

Accountants  
Nantwich and Market Drayton  
A wide range of services in all aspects of  
accounting and bookkeeping

- New Business Start Ups
- Company formations
- Limited Companies
- Self Assessment
- Payroll and bookkeeping
- VAT
- Accounts, tax and financial planning

Free initial consultation  
Free bookkeeping package and lesson,  
Saturday and out of hours appointments.  
Personal service  
Friendly and approachable

## 01270 619955

Geoff and Nigel Burrows  
Dip. F.D.

## Funeral Directors

- Complete funeral arrangements
- Personal day and night service

Tel: 01270 524243

A.W.Burrows & Son  
Snowdrop Villa,  
Swanley, Nantwich  
CW5 8QB



nantwich | veterinary group  
equine | centre

## 01270 628888

Small animal, farm animal and  
equine vets.

24 hour veterinary cover from our  
fully-equipped hospital.

No answering machines, phones  
always answered and service  
provided by our own  
dedicated staff.

01270 610322 (pets)  
01270 610349 (farm animals)  
01270 628888 (equine)

Equine Centre, Hurleston,  
Nantwich CW5 6BU

## Tarporley Dental Practice

established 1978

**Dental care for all the family**

- Ozone therapy - painless restorations without injection
- Preventive dentistry
- Cosmetic dentistry - crowns, bridges, veneers
- White fillings (mercury free)
- Tooth whitening

**New patients welcome**

[www.tarporleydentist.co.uk](http://www.tarporleydentist.co.uk)



Denelea, Nantwich Road, Tarporley Telephone:01829 732213 (24 Hours)

# Bratts

The Fashion Store

Open daily from 9.30am until 5pm, we have a fantastic range of top fashions brands including...

HOBBS LAURA ASHLEY

GERRY WEBER *Joules*

Why not take the load off and drop into  
The Coffee Shop  
Open Monday to Saturday 9.30am-4pm



Pepper Street, Nantwich Tel: 01270 623865

4 Star  
\*\*\*\*

New Farm  
B&B  
Caravan Park

## Five en-suite rooms Touring Caravans Coarse Fishery (4 lakes)

- Locally sourced food
- Set in the heart of Cheshire
- Ideal for the Tarporley area
- Perfect for family holidays/occasions



www.newfarmcheshire.co.uk  
telephone 01270 528 213  
long lane wettenhall cw7 4dw

## Sienna Decking

Decking, design and installation

Hard or soft wood  
Pergolas, arbours,  
garden carpentry.  
Free estimates

261508

## Bunbury Property Maintenance

Paul Griffiths

01829 260975  
07814 403479

paulgriff15@msn.com



## Caravan site

for CC members and self catering holiday  
cottage, sleeps two  
Non-smoking and warm welcome

Gwen and Geoff Burdett  
Rookery Cottage, Long Lane Haughton  
01829 260069

## Downdale Cattery

Morreys Lane, Kelsall

New purpose-built  
luxury cattery

Joanne & Alan Downes and family

01829 759133

www.downdalecattery.co.uk



## F. E. O. SHONE & SON

Early morning milk and newspapers  
7 days a week in Bunbury area

01270 841480 anytime

Full dairy and newsagency service

## Cheshire Health Jen Francis Associates



Achieve the Balance

Health & Fitness Consultant  
Stress Counselling  
Relationship Counselling  
Complementary Therapies  
Sports Therapy  
Acupuncture  
Bowen

Back Care & Rehabilitation  
Specialist Therapy Care  
Equine Pilates & Biomechanics  
We are a Team of  
Health Practitioners with expertise you  
can trust

01829 732775  
07779272353

jen@jfrancis1.freeserve.co

## Katya

www.katya.co.uk  
01829 260478



Unique handmade jewellery for all occasions

## Party Tent 10 x 4 metres

available  
for hire for  
private events.  
Contact Nick  
on 262494 or  
nick@castleandcanal.co.uk



Larkton Services Ltd



## DRAINAGE

24/7 Call Out on

07898  
833817

- Blockages
- Jetting
- Soakaways
- Septic Tanks
- Surveys

## PK Plumbing

kitchens and bathrooms

All domestic plumbing, heating,  
radiators, valves, sinks and taps.  
No job too small

Complete kitchen and bathroom  
renovating service.

Fully project managed  
from start to finish.

Contact Paul

262474/07894 877207

email pkplumbing@btconnect.com

bpec and WRAS certification



## Tattenhall Plastering Services

Domestic & Commercial

Tiling, Wall & Floors

Tel: 01829 770458

Mob: 07962 260022

www.tattenhallplasteringservices.com



Bartlett Platt  
Professional Accountancy Services

We offer the full range of Bookkeeping;  
Management or Year End Accounts; Payroll; VAT;  
Self Assessment and Corporation Tax.

For a free initial consultation please call  
0845 056 9775 or e-mail us at

mail@bartlett-platt.co.uk