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School News, Gorleston FC Success... *And much more!*

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Hello Gorleston!



Welcome to Issue 38 of YOUR free community magazine.

Another packed and varied issue for you this month with plenty to read and lots of puzzles to solve.

As ever it's great to see what the young people get up to in our schools and college, and it certainly gives great hope for the future. Youngsters frequently get a bad press and we are more than happy to help publicise the good stories, of which we know there are many.

For those puzzlers amongst you, make sure you check out the competition in Gorleston Grapevine where a TV is up for grabs!

This month we are printing **4000** copies, which is a massive achievement for us! 3400 will be delivered door to door with others available in community outlets. However, there are still plenty of folk in Gorleston who don't see the magazine and some who have never even heard of it, so I am going to make a special request to all our readers. Once you have finished with your magazine, don't just throw it away, instead please think about passing it on to someone who doesn't have access to a copy or who doesn't even know about the magazine. In this way we can further spread the good news about all things Gorleston!

God bless you all and keep you safe,
and we'll meet again in July!



Ed.....

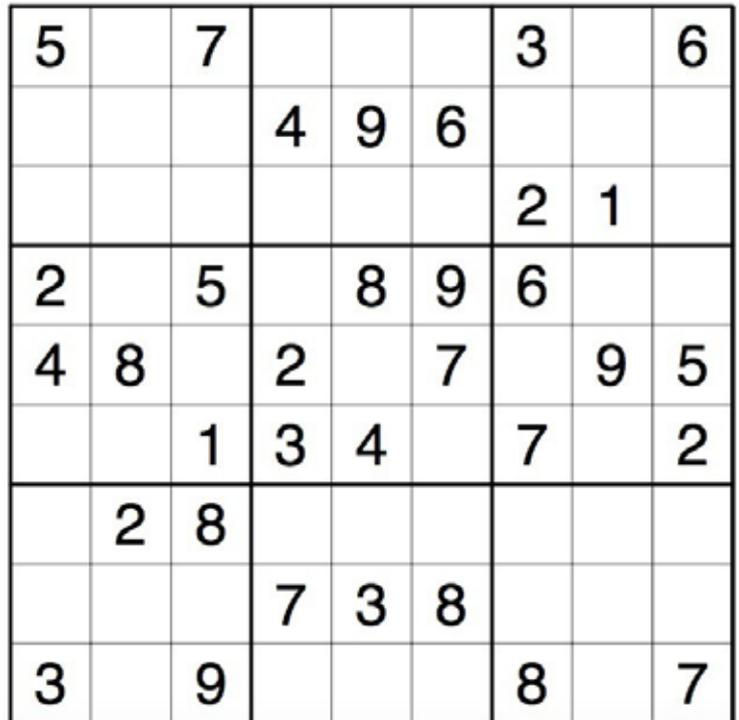
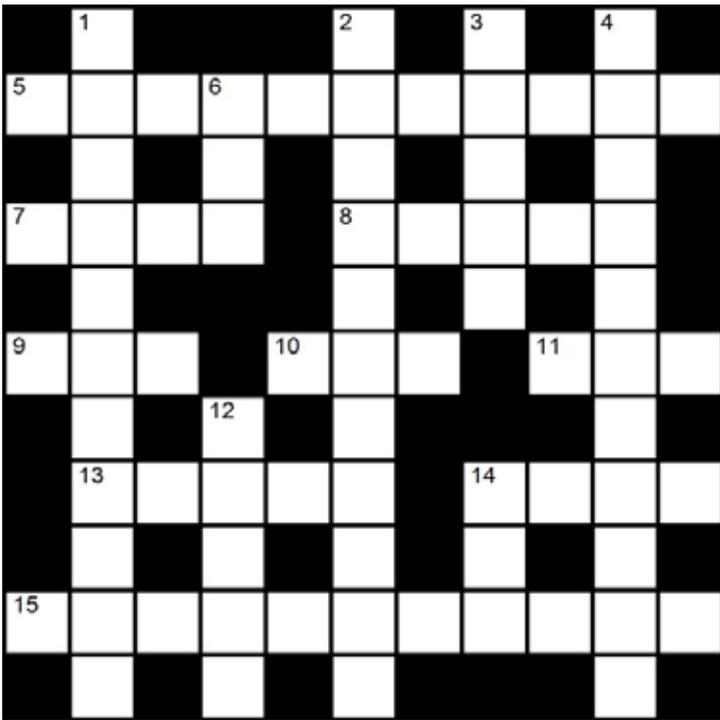
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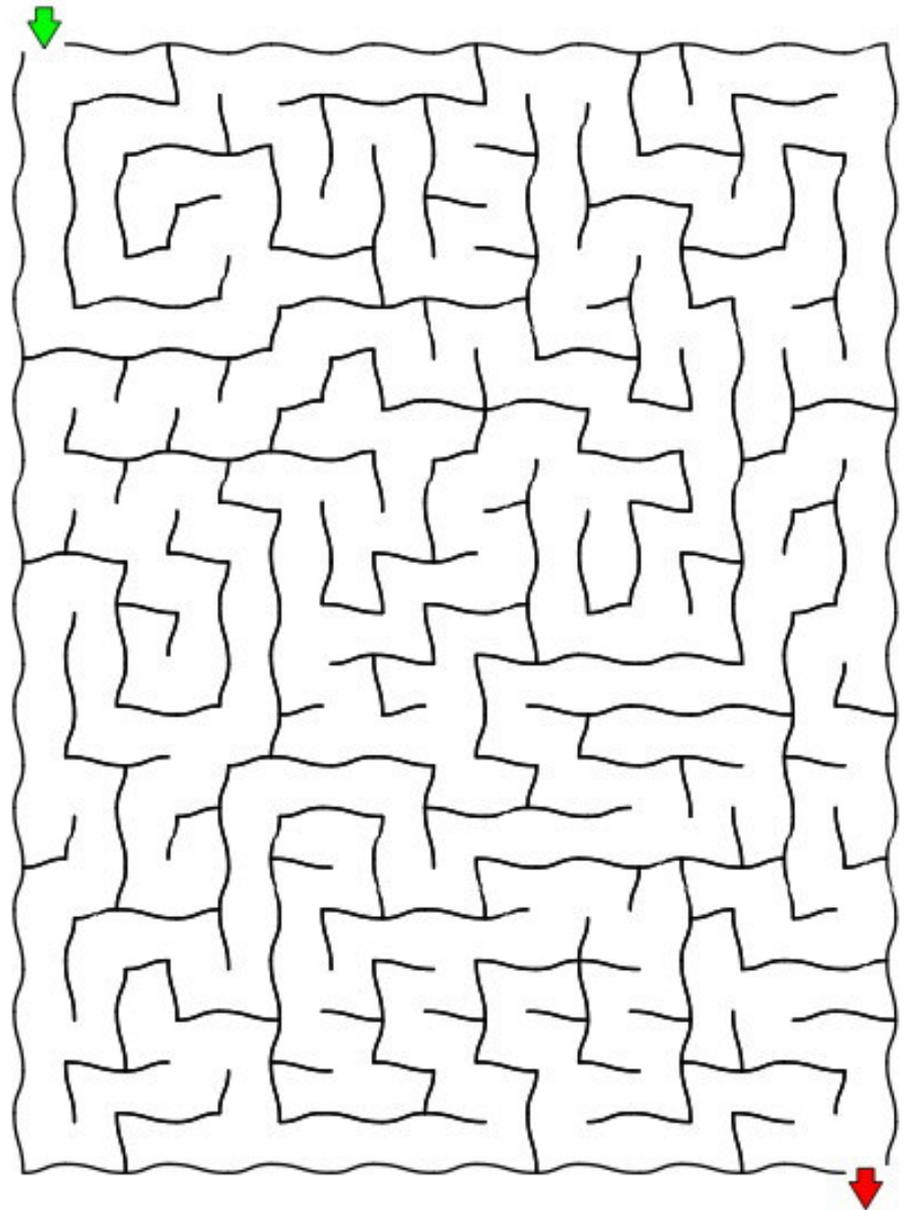
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The Rockin' Rev

What shall we name the baby?

What shall we name the baby? It's a decision that every responsible parent takes seriously.

In choosing a name for their baby parents will often consider many things. The choice of name may honour a family member or a close friend. The choice of name may reflect admiration for a famous person or describe something about the child – the day or place of their birth, a hope for their future, or a desire for what they will bring to the world.

Naming a child varies from culture to culture. Some countries, like Iceland, have a specific list of permitted names to choose from. A name not already on the official list of approved names must be submitted to the naming committee for approval.

New Zealand's Births, Deaths, and Marriage Act of 1995 doesn't allow people to name their child anything that might cause offence to a reasonable person; or is unreasonably long; or, without adequate justification, resemble an official title or rank.

Recently, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex (Harry and Meghan) announced the birth of their second child. They named their baby, who was born on Friday 4th June at a hospital in Santa Barbara, California, Lilibet Diana Mountbatten-Windsor.

Given recent revelations many people were surprised that the couple chose names that are very much in line with royal tradition.

In Bible times the naming of a child was extremely important. Interestingly, the name Jesus wasn't chosen by Mary and Joseph. His name was chosen by God and passed on to Mary and Joseph by an angel.

Jesus was a very common name given to Jewish boys. Over



the years various excavations in and around Jerusalem have revealed the name Jesus on several grave markers and tombs. To distinguish Jesus, the child of Mary, from others of the same name, he is sometimes referred to in the Gospels as Jesus of Nazareth or Jesus the Nazarene.

The name Jesus is the Greek form of his Hebrew name. The gospels were written in Greek because it was the literary language of the time. The Hebrew name of Jesus is Joshua, more properly pronounced Yeshua, which means 'The Lord saves' or simply 'Saviour'.

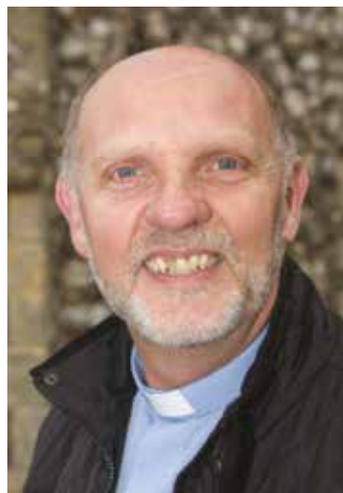
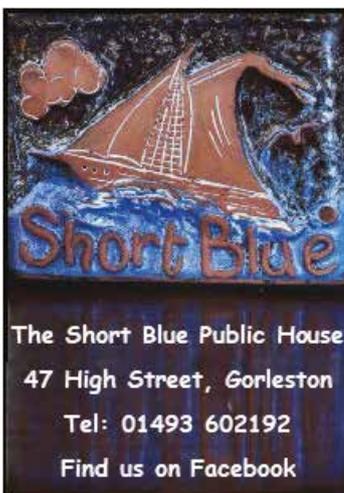
Down through the centuries, the church has affirmed the belief of the earliest followers of Jesus that "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

For parents looking to follow current trends when it comes to naming their baby, research tells us that the most popular girl's names of 2021 in the UK are Luna, Ophelia, and Elodie. The most popular boy's names are Arlo, Oscar, and Hugo.



When it was Mrs Wilson's turn to do the flower arrangements, she always kept the vicar's hay fever in mind

Rev Brian Hall
Vicar of St Andrew's Church





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We are a full-time facility located at unit 4 Bessemer way, Harfreys Industrial Estate, Great Yarmouth, NR31 0LX.

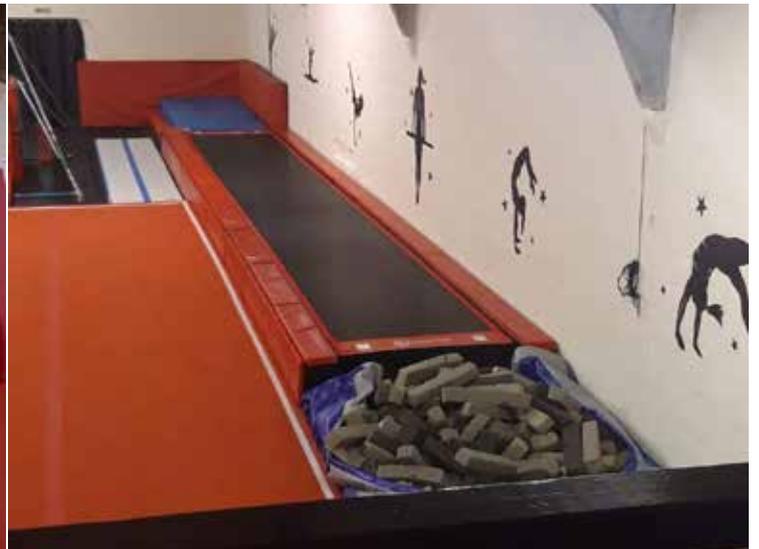
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We are also adding classes for our pre-school age gymnasts with new parent and me play sessions starting 17th May 10 – 10.45am and 11.20 – 12.05pm. Sessions are £3.80 per gymnast you can book on by clicking the link via our face book page – Split Leaps Gymnastics Club or on our website www.splitleapsgymnastics.co.uk (click on the parent and me play sessions).

Gymnasts can progress through the British Gymnastics badge system, which we do once per term, and they can then go on to compete at all levels from beginner competitions, through the general gymnastics levels, development pathway (grades and county levels), to national invitationals, and adult competition if they wish to do so.

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Ormiston Cliff Park Infant & Junior Academies



Careers Day

All of the children (and staff!) really enjoyed our first 'Careers Day' on Thursday 27th May! It was wonderful to see the children so inspired about the roles that they would aspire to in the future. As well as being lots of fun, the day helped to develop the children's understanding of the vast range of exciting possibilities that will be open to them as they grow up. We saw Astronauts, Microbiologists, Artists, and Paleontologists to name but a few. How fabulous it was to see so many of our children being inspired by our local NHS heroes too!

Thank you to all our families for their support in making this day such a success. Special thanks to Mrs. Tanner, who organised this event for our children.



too!

Thanks to the Year 5 Team and also to Mr. Walsh (our Maths Lead) for their support of this event.

National Numeracy Day & OAT 'Favourite Number' Winners!

Wednesday 19th May was National Numeracy Day, and we arranged lots of maths themed activities to encourage the children in their use of numbers. The aim of the day is to give everyone more confidence in their use of numbers and maths in every area of life, and we certainly achieved that, as you can see from these photos!



Mathsolympics Success

We are very excited to announce that our Year 5 Team has been victorious in the national, Trust-wide Primary Mathsolympics!

In their journey to become champions, our team had to answer a wide range of maths problems but also to present and be excellent ambassadors for our school.

We are very proud of our team and know that you will be

Congratulations to Warren and Macey Westrup in Years 2 and 4, who won the national OAT 'Make Your Favourite Number' competitions for their age groups! Macy won the 'Food & Drink' category and Warren won the 'Human Art' category (pictures above). Well done!

Goodbye to Mrs Huggins

It is with sadness that we have to say goodbye to Mrs. Huggins today as she leaves us to take up a new role, working for Norfolk County Council. Over the past seven years she has given so much to our schools and we will miss her but wish her every success in her new venture.

Hair We Are



Here we are in June and as I sit here writing this blog, concerning news still coming in about the Virus starting to increase again, lets hope we do not go back to what we have been through over the past 15 months. Hopefully, the vaccinations that are kicking in and making a difference to us all will in the

end be the winner.

The High St has seen a gradual return to the new normal, with businesses reporting that after the initial surge of returning to work on April 12th, the trend this time is not so much of a drop off in trade and the public being much more confident about coming out again.

Looking forward to the decision of getting back to normal, although my own personal feeling is we should be very cautious. Even then, though I still don't see why cinemas etc can't open, what the difference is between socially distancing in a pub with seating for up to 6 people and sitting in a cinema with socially distanced seating, I do not know.

We now have a month of football to look forward to and what ever you think about these football tournaments, they certainly help to bring together and unite the nation and most certainly we all need something to cheer us and take our minds off covid and give us something else to focus on. Good Luck to England and all the home countries, Wales and Scotland playing in the tournament but I do have a feeling "Its Coming Home"

I mentioned last month my dear friend Leigh Reeder, who sadly recently lost his life. It has been decided that a fund raising bike ride will be arranged for the month of September and along with the Chelsea football supporters club "The Eastern Blues" a plaque will be hung at Chelsea Football club in memory of Leigh.

The third river crossing is now really starting to take shape and is another major build for our area, I personally am not sure what benefit this is going to give us, but that is probably because I do not know how the flow of traffic is going to develop once it is in place. In my opinion the third crossing money would have been better spent doubling what we call the New Bridge over Breydon Water, so that we could have dual carriage way all the way from the Acle New Rd roundabout, right through to the end of the bypass, it would then be of a benefit to dual the Acle straight where at the moment there is no point, as dualling the straight will lead to a bottleneck at the end of the Acle straight and long tail backs.

Another annoying hold up is the McDonalds on Gapton Hall, something really needs to be done there or one day there will be a serious accident. Cars going to the drive thru need to go right down to Next and then come back along the top of the car park to join a queue to the drive thru taking all the congestion away from the main junction, again it is my opinion, but it really is dangerous and queues at the moment are even going as far back as the Tesco's roundabout, which

in turn affects everywhere.

Bit of a shorter blog this month, but by the time next month's comes around we will be well into summer and the children's holidays will be on the verge of starting, so enjoy the weather and let's hope we can enjoy the summer with a bit of normality in our lives.



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Ramblings of a Displaced Cockney

A Geology Group Visit to Shingle Street

My friend Jane trained as a teacher with a particular specialism in Geography. Apparently, physical geography in its manifestation as Geology, is

trendy with people of a certain age in Suffolk, where she lives. The U3A (University of the Third Age) runs lots of groups in all sorts of subjects and activities. There is often a limit on group size as they generally meet in members' homes (before everything went over to Zoom meetings). Geology is so popular that when Jane moved to Suffolk she found that the two Geology groups were full but she responded to a U3A request to start another group, which is now also full!

I have had the chance to sit in on the preparation and testing of various presentations in my technical capacity of doing lots of on-line presentations, and equally importantly, having a current Zoom subscription.

There were a couple of occasions this year when the group were actually able to meet outdoors for a piece of field work. I was available to join the trip they had to Shingle Street.

I had come across Shingle Street first when watching Danny Boyle's wonderful summer 2019 feel-good movie "Yesterday" which so many of us joined in the crowd call on the Gorleston Beach in front of the Pier Hotel for the "concert". The film includes a strangely wistful moment when Jack Malik, the hero of the movie, meets "John Lennon" at his bungalow by the sea on a very distinctive pebble beach. This turned out to be "The Beacon" at Shingle Street, which really does stand isolated amongst the shingle at the northern end of a tiny coastal hamlet

reached by a single track road that goes nowhere else.

The hamlet has a history of cottages for coastguards and pilots serving the rivers Ore and Alde. It has a Martello tower and the interestingly named German Ocean Mansion (seaside lodgings in a failed attempt to rival Felixstowe). There is the intriguing shell line art installation on the beach, a modernist house by architect John Penn ("his most Californian-inspired house and his masterpiece") and a memorial to the five coastguards lost off the beach early in 1914. It once had a pub, the Lifeboat Inn, but when the hamlet was requisitioned by the military in WWII, it was "accidentally" destroyed in RAF practice bombing runs.

I have also met Shingle Street in Blake Morrison's moving poem "The Ballad of Shingle Street", written in 2015. "On Shingle Street the summer's sweet, the stones are flat, the pebbles neat . . ."

The Geology group were there to look at the interesting miniature-mountains of shingle on the beach which have been formed by the North Sea over the last 8000 years. It has pebbles with origins which lie in far off places and which have ended up in these amazing stony banks. There are also some very interesting "percolation lagoons" which are pools of sea water which appear in hollows in the banks after high tide and then gradually disappear again as the tide goes out. They make great paddling and swimming pools and are loved by families in the summer.

Our task was to scour the beach and to try to identify igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rock fragments. There is also sea coal and volcanic pumice. It's an amazing variety of colours, shapes and sizes.

Whether you are interested in geology or not, it's definitely worthy of a day out!

by Laurie Poulson



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Gorleston FC



Since the last edition, two of Norfolk's most prestigious trophies have made their way into the Emerald Park trophy cabinet.

In the Norfolk Senior Cup Final, played at the FDC in Bowthorpe, Gorleston took on Mulbarton Wanderers.



The weather wasn't the best but that didn't stop the entertainment for the 300 or so spectators.

Gorleston got off to the best possible start, taking the lead in the 4th minute, winning the ball back from a Mulbarton throw. Connor Ingram latched onto it and lobbed the Wanderers keeper from wide on the right.

The Greens came close to doubling their lead in the 25th minute when a Joel Watts cross was sliced over his own bar by a defender. From the corner, Mitch McKay's header was headed away off the line.

Just before the hour mark, Mulbarton scored the equaliser they deserved. The ball found Ben Thompson in the box who created an opening for himself and found the back of the net.

Five minutes later, Gorleston sub Christy Finch, who had just come on, worked a shooting opportunity but put the ball wide. Shortly after, Steve Taylor picked out Connor Ingram in the box but he scuffed his effort wide.

Midway through the half, Gorleston were back in front. The lively Joel Watts stormed down the right then cut inside across the width of the box to collect the ball again and fire it in, left footed, back across goal and in off the far post.

Mulbarton were inches away from another equaliser in the 74th minute when Thompson poked the ball past Jake Jessup but Connor Deeks was able to stop the ball before it crossed the line.

However, five minutes later it was 2-2. Mulbarton broke from a Gorleston corner. Ian Fancett, who had only just come on, was played through the middle and he slotted the ball past Jessup into the net.

With six minutes remaining, Gorleston's chance to win looked to have decreased when they were reduced to ten men. Luke Goreham had been booked ten minutes earlier for a foul 'taking one for the team' to stop a breakaway. This time the ball bounced up off the slippery surface and struck him on



the arm. The ref deemed it worthy of a second yellow so Goreham was shown the red card and had to head for the tunnel.

Wanderers sensed

blood but the Greens held out, with penalties seeming their best hope of victory.

However, captain marvel Kyle Ingram had other ideas. Having dropped to left back to fill in for the missing Goreham, he found himself on the left of the box. Connor Ingram and Henderson linked up nicely on the right before Hendo found Kyle with a pass and he struck the ball low into the far corner of the goal to give his side the victory and bring the Norfolk Senior Cup back to Gorleston for the 17th time.



The next day, the Gorleston 'A' Team also brought home some silverware, this time in the Wiltshire Cup, when they took on Caister Development in the final played at Emerald Park.

It took the Greens 18 minutes to break the deadlock when Hubbard tapped in from close range after the Caister keeper, McEwen, had parried a Keller shot.

Midway through the second half it was two when Ward cut in from the left and smashed the ball into the net.

The third came five minutes from time when Ward struck home a penalty for his second of the match.

This is the fourth time Gorleston have won the Wiltshire Cup. The First Team won it in 1901 and 1907, the Reserves in 1933 and now the A team in 2021.



A quick update on the new ground: the pitch has been laid and been played on by teams from East Norfolk College. Work is still to begin on the stands and facilities though, so it is still not yet known when the Greens will be able to move in.

To be in with a chance of winning some cash, and show your support for Gorleston at the same time, join the monthly GoLD draw. Full details are on the website or contact me (Dave Hardy), or email gorlestonfootballclub@hotmail.co.uk

Coffee Time 2

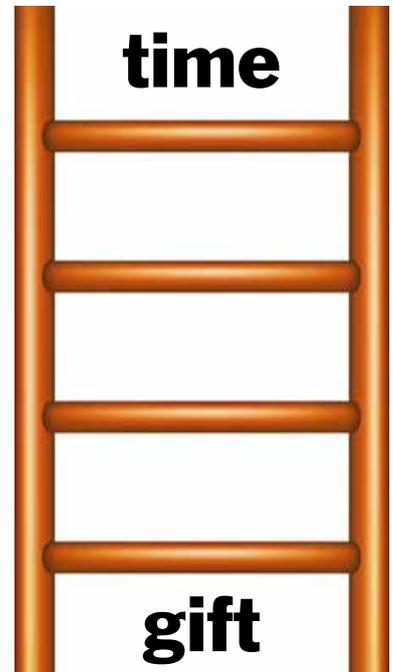
Fallen Phrase

Letters have fallen out of their boxes, but are in the same column. Can you put them back in the right place to reveal a quote and its author?
(Words may continue on the next line.)

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f	e	i	s	e	u	i	s	a	t
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Word Ladder

Can you climb the ladder changing 1 letter at a time, to get from the bottom word to the top word?



Caught in the middle

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Range: 379 miles[†]
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[†] Ford test data based on testing methodology using 1-ft rollout i.e. from a rolling start.

[‡] Based on full charge. Figure shown is the target range achieved using the Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicle Test Procedure (WLTP). Actual range varies with conditions such as external elements, driving behaviours, vehicle maintenance, and lithium-ion battery age.

Pavilion Theatre

CELEBRATING 120 GLORIOUS YEARS!

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THEATRE GORLESTON

2021 marks the 120th anniversary of the opening of the Pavilion Theatre in Gorleston and the team at the theatre has a huge lineup of birthday celebrations prepared to mark the occasion.

Officially opened in 1901, the theatre started out life as a shelter hall for ‘the better shelter of the public of Gorleston’, with the Great Yarmouth council inviting tenders for its construction as part of a general improvement and landscaping project. Along with an open air bandstand, these plans would transform Gorleston from a fishing village to a seaside resort but at the time there were councillors who were opposed to the plans and wanted to spend the money on housing improvements instead.

Thankfully the Pavilion plan survived and the then borough engineer, J.W. Cockrill, came up with an imposing Italian-style terracotta building, which opened its doors on Monday 8th July 1901 with full live entertainment on offer - even though the windows had not yet been fully glazed! The building has seen a number of uses over the years, ranging from radio and TV studios to army occupation and even youth community use but has always had theatre and live entertainment in its bones.

Today the Pavilion stands proudly as a thriving theatre



open all year round with a huge array of shows both local and national and amateur to professional to keep audiences entertained, which is all thanks to the huge efforts of current proprietors Stuart Malkovich and Kevin Lynch.

Stuart said of his tenure at the helm: “Both Kevin and I were thrilled to be given the opportunity to take over this iconic Gorleston venue back in the early 1990s. It held such importance to both of us and whilst we said to each other at the time that we would only commit to 5 years or so, it’s incredible to think that here we are nearly 30 years later celebrating such a huge birthday milestone.”

The Pavilion has been transformed during this time thanks to the love, passion and investment that both Stuart and Kevin and their team have brought into the building, with hundreds of thousands of pounds being ploughed into the renovation and refurbishment of the building over the years.

Speaking of what the last 30 years has meant to him, Kevin Lynch commented: “We’ve never seen our time at the Pavilion as a job because quite honestly it’s such a huge pleasure to come to work every day and to see so many happy and smiling people coming through our doors. The word ‘family’ gets thrown around a lot when talking about workplaces, but we really do have a Pavilion family and that’s been the most special part of this whole journey. It’s been our whole life and we’ve loved every minute of it.”

Of the 120th birthday celebrations, trustee Alex Youngs said that “We’ve got an extremely special fundraiser gala night planned for later in the year to really mark the occasion properly. The pandemic has obviously had a huge effect on us but we’re determined to make sure we celebrate in style, so we’re pushing back our birthday party a little bit to make sure we’re well clear of social distancing. We’ll still be singing happy birthday to the Pavilion on Thursday 8th July though!”

Full details of the theatre’s schedule of plays, musicals and so much more can be found at pavtheatre.com or by calling the box office on (01493) 662832.

A promotional poster for the musical 'Elton! The Music' at the Pavilion Theatre. The background features a red curtain and a stage. The text is white and yellow. At the top, it says 'Open All Year!' in a large, cursive font. Below that, it says 'Original Edwardian seaside theatre open all year with plays, musicals, pantomimes and our popular Summer Showtime!'. In the center, there is a large, glowing star with the word 'ELTON!' inside it. Below the star, it says 'The Music' in a pink, cursive font. At the bottom, it says 'FRASER CALLAGHAN' and 'Friday 23rd July 7.30pm'. At the very bottom, there is the Pavilion Theatre logo and contact information.

ENSFC

Teachers on the EN Level 4 Games Development course have been presented with a gift from some of their students they will never forget - a fully re-modelled and fully functional arcade machine!

Students Sam and Dylan worked on the project of upcycling an old non-working arcade machine into one which will be used for years to come by future students on the Level 4 course.

By recycling parts and using the Raspberry Pi 3 – Model B they were able to put games that they had created during their Level 4 qualification onto the machine. By using their independent study time, they could wire up and test out the games on their classrooms projector and kept costs low by having parts donated by friends and second-hand parts online.

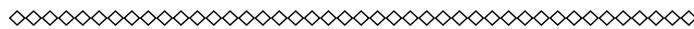
The surprise gift has been an ongoing project since March with the whole class knowing. The difficult part was to keep the project a secret from their teachers - coming close on a few occasions to letting it slip!

Kieran who is also a Level 4 games student created the artwork which has been printed on vinyl to fit the machine and turned his teachers and fellow students into game characters so their legacy for the class of 2020-2021 will last for years to come. New students will also have the

opportunity to create their own games and load them to the machine and play on it!

Teachers Demetrious Symeou and Ian Griffiths were left speechless when they saw the machine and couldn't believe their students had put so much time into creating something so bespoke and managed to keep it a secret.

Mr Symeou said "Never in a million years would we think we could have our own arcade machine in our classroom! I've wanted one of these since I was a kid, it really is awesome!"



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Lockdown Musings

by Patricia West

Fritton



In the 1990's I lived in one of the small cottages backing on to Fritton Lake located on the main road opposite a large wooden building which was the village hall.

A small group met there every week for a get together with a cup of tea and cake, to play games or have a speaker. The villagers went to vote there and various other events often took place. I usually joined in, it was a good way to get to know the neighbours. I have no idea if it is still in use but I hope so. It was always so warm and welcoming. Just down the road was a small but very convivial pub – the food was good as well.

My cottage was quaint, circa 1703. It had low ceilings, oak beams and an inglenook fireplace. Every time the temperature fell I would put a match to the heaped up logs which soon blazed up the chimney. Thimble Cottage was my haven and keep-safe. I decided to call it “Thimble Cottage” because it was small and dainty just like...well, a thimble. It was a wrench when I had to leave but my family was growing and the cottage was only big enough for one lady and her dog.

In those days we had free access to the field behind the cottage and I would walk my dog Fuzz, out of the back gate around the edge of the field to the water's edge two or three times a day. I named him Fuzz because I had rescued him from the Police pound in Lowestoft (back then the police were often referred to as “The Fuzz”). In those days they made no check on dog owning capabilities, I was asked to pay £2 towards Fuzz's food costs while in police care, they wished me luck and off we went.

Fuzz was a cross bred, medium sized and handsome. He was also a softy and very loving. I was smitten from the start. I enjoyed our walks and from January through to May we would pass a changing variety of wild flowers along the edges of the field - beginning with little snow drops bravely peeping above the snow, followed by primroses, then daffodils, until finally in May came a bright carpet of blue bells. Best of all was the field itself with its rotation of crops; wheat, barley, oil seed rape and once a heavenly spread of blue flax. One afternoon a very tired white swan came down short of the lake, seemingly too weary to fly, he proceeded to stomp down the field towards the lake. I rushed back to watch from my bedroom window as he weaved his white feathers through the glorious blue flax, it was a most marvellous sight.

At the end of each day my little car would deliver me home to the back of the cottage. From mid August I would brace myself, knowing in my absence, on any given day that the maturing crop would have been harvested, leaving behind

a swathe of ugly stubble. There was always that brief sense of loss but then I would be cheered knowing that come spring nature's cycle would begin all over again.

Late evening Fuzz and I would take our final walk. As we returned up the path I would pause for a last glance - sometimes the moon was up spreading a gleaming halo over “my” field. Fuzz would also stop, looking up at me as if to say... if you think it is beautiful then I do too. He lies there now at Thimble Cottage under the cherry tree. Part of my heart is at Fritton.



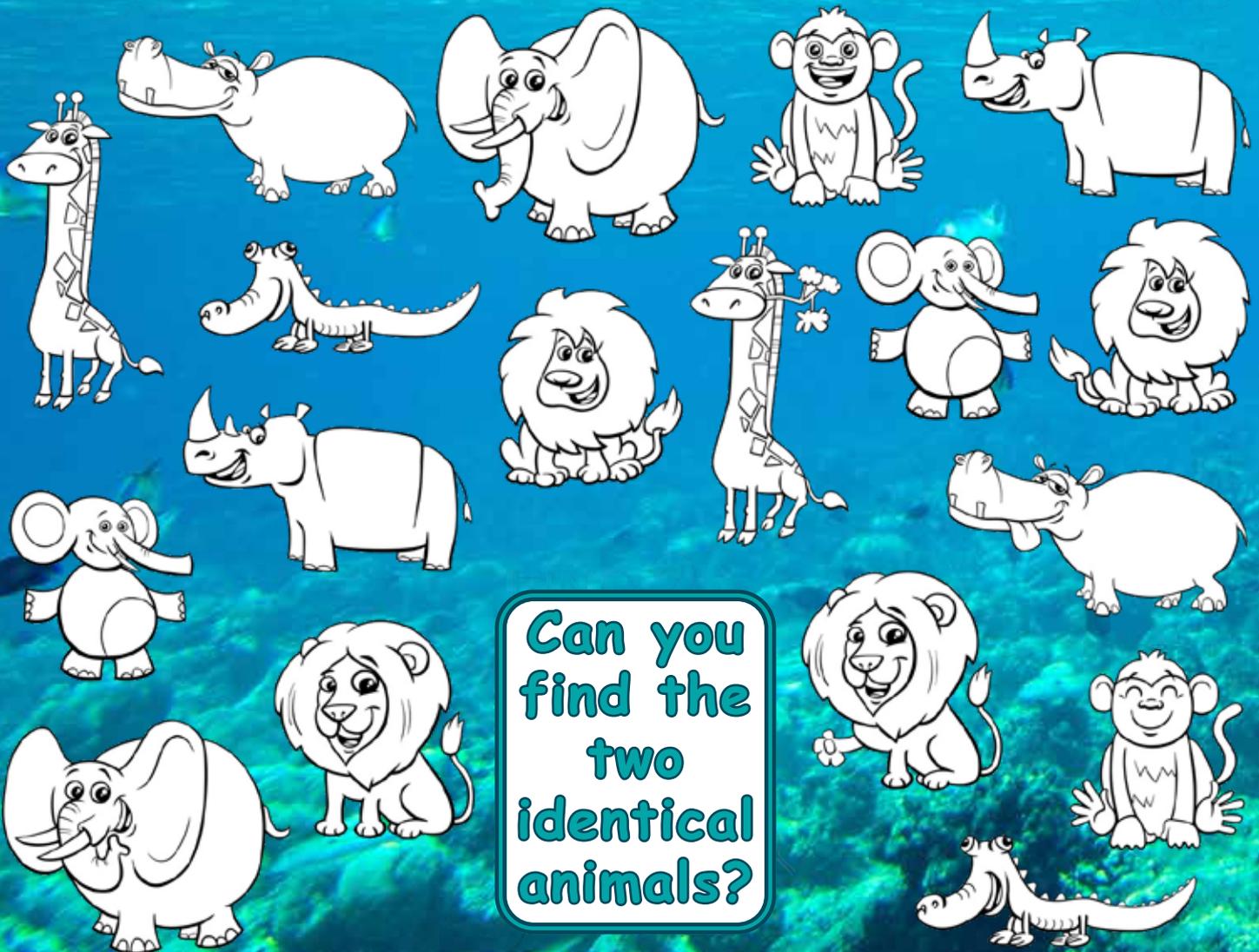
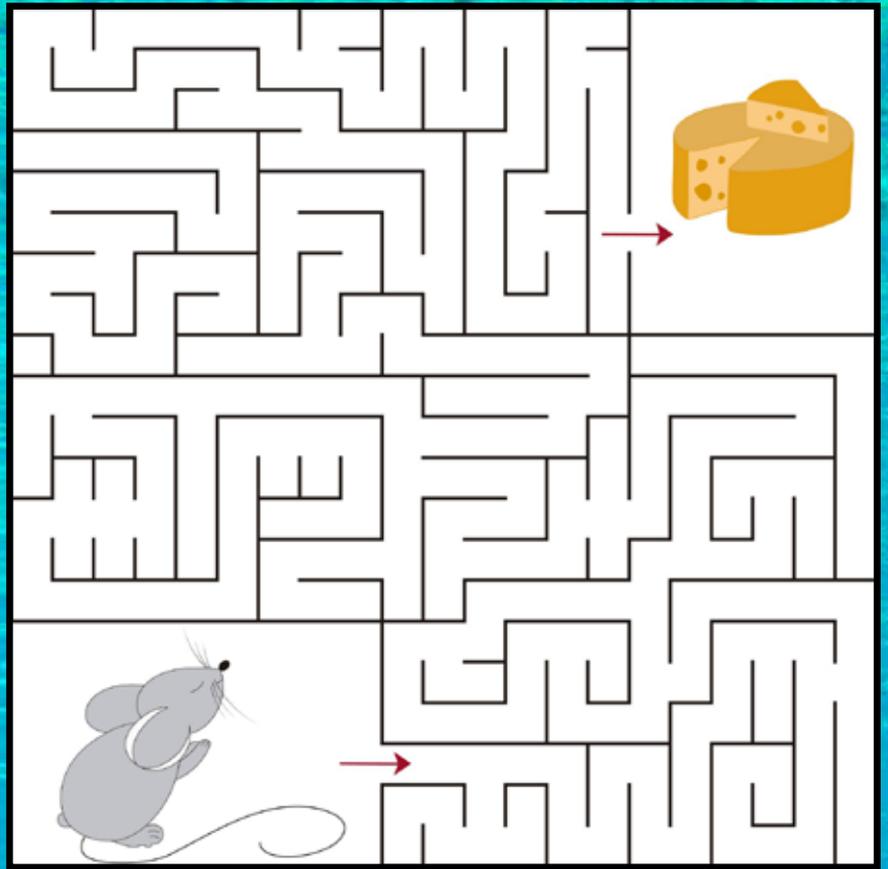
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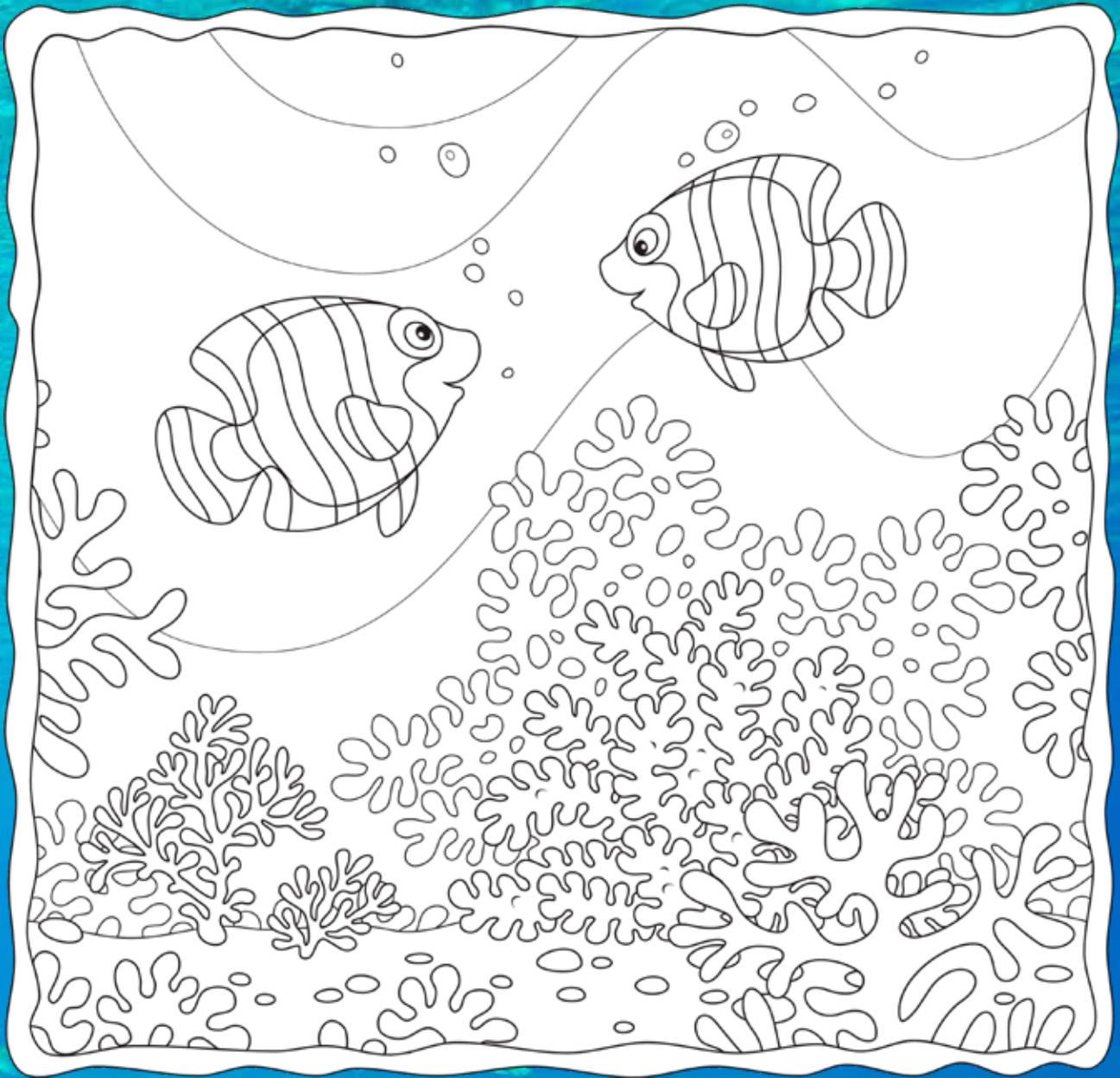
Kids' Corner

Can you help the mouse find the cheese?



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God's World:

Have you ever stopped to wonder how everything came to be, how the world and everything in it came to exist? There are different ideas about this but for Christians, God is the one who brought everything into existence.

The first chapter of the first book of the Bible (the book of Genesis) shows us that God 'spoke' things into being - light & dark, the sky, dry land & plants, the sun, moon & stars, fish & birds and land animals & people.

God was pleased with what he made and said it was very good. His intention from the beginning was that people would look after the rest of everything He had made and make sure it stayed good.

Do you think people do a good job? Do you play your part in looking after the world you live in? Most importantly, if God truly brought everything into existence, including people, do you think it is worth finding out more about Him? Many people believe so. What about you?

Gorleston Then & Now

by John McBride



National Westminster Bank branch at 152c Bells Road opened in 1926 and closed in September 1989, although it closed for the duration of the war. Next door to the left was Wright's Hardware Store, they later moved further down Bells Road to the corner of Lower Cliff Road. Wright's old shop and the bank building have now been replaced with housing. The shops on both sides still have the original facias as the old bank above.





Opening THE Book

with
**Reverend
John Kinchin-Smith**

As I write, more than 3 million people have died from Covid-19. In Yemen we continue to witness the worst humanitarian crisis this century. Climate change and plastic waste threaten food production, whole communities and the biodiversity of our planet. The UN Refugee Agency estimates that at least 79.5 million people around the world have been forced to flee their homes, among them nearly 26 million refugees (around half of whom are under the age of 18). In the Ukraine and the South China Sea, Russia and China are flexing military muscles that could turn to war.

In the UK many are facing unemployment, frightening debt and losing their homes while more and more people require the help of foodbanks and other voluntary or statutory agencies. What place then for religion? Is not religion at best an irrelevance to making a living and surviving in the world, and at worst, part of the cause of the world's problems?

The fact is that bad people will always find reasons to do bad things. Bad people and bad things are not caused by religion or by communism or any other "ism". Rather they come from envy or greed or fear or selfishness or the lust for power. The Bible teaches that there is a better way to live and a way that has been made possible because of God's love and providence, above all through what God has done through Jesus Christ. Last month I wrote that "The Bible is the only book that truly has the power to completely transform one's life from the inside-out." It is, in fact, God who has that power. Jesus said that he had come that people might have "life in its fullness", the best that life can be. The Bible tells us how.

If you really want to discover how to have peace in a world of conflict and turmoil, how to find comfort and hope in grief or despair, how to have the best for your life, your marriage, your family – read your Bible (in a modern English version") starting with the Gospel of Luke. Then go on to the Gospel of John. And ask God to speak to you as you read the words. I promise – it will change your life!



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News from The Mag

with
Reverend Matthew Price



Another step in the return to normality took place at St Mary Mags last month as we relaunched our Friday youth club, Mags. And we were delighted, at the relaunch to welcome S.T.A.N.E., a local street artist, who, along with Freshly Greated, the community arts project, led the young people in a fantastic graffiti workshop.

Each of the young people who attended were able to go home with canvas and frame which they had decorated using the skills they learnt on the evening and the creativity on display was amazing! You can get a flavour of what was achieved in these photos.



Following the successful relaunch, Mags will continue, fortnightly on a Friday evening, until the schools break for the summer. We also hope to run a further, full-day, workshop with S.T.A.N.E. and Freshly Greated in the summer holidays – watch this space for further details! And if you want to find out more about Mags for your young person, please drop an email to youth@stmmgorleston.org.uk, check out our website at www.stmmgorleston.org.uk/youth, or call the Vicarage on 01493 494248.

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Vets and Pets



A word in your ear!



Ear disease is surprisingly common in pets and often results in head shaking and ear scratching, commonly accompanied by redness and discharge.

However, unlike the problem in people where “ear aches” usually affect the inner and middle ear, most ear problems in pets occur in the external ear canal – where the condition is termed otitis externa (or canker).

Anatomically, the outermost part of the ear is the pinna (or flap). The pinna of cats are particularly mobile, enabling them to accurately locate sounds. Dog pinnae vary widely depending on breed. Interestingly, both cats and dogs also use pinna position as a means of non-vocal communication.



Sound is collected by the pinna and then travels down the narrow external ear canal to the ear drum, where it passes into the middle and inner ear. In the healthy ear, the opening to the external ear canal is lined with smooth pink (or pigmented) skin, with no evidence of any narrowing, redness or discharge. It’s a good idea to check your pet’s ears regularly to pick up any ear problems early.

Virtually all otitis externa (or canker) is triggered by an underlying cause which can include: ear mites (otodectes cynotis) are commonly seen in puppies and kittens and are usually associated with a crusty brown discharge; localised allergies affecting the skin lining the external ear canal are another common cause. These are often part of a more generalised allergic skin condition also affecting other body areas; foreign bodies – such as the grass awns of the meadow grasses are a particular problem in the summer months and can easily get stuck right down by the ear drum. They often present with sudden onset head shaking.

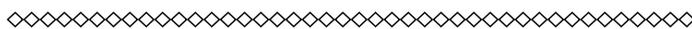
In many instances of ear problems, opportunistic bacterial and fungal infections colonise the ear canal which can both obscure diagnosis of the underlying cause, and also complicate treatment.

In common with many conditions, the key to success with otitis externa is early diagnosis and treatment. If your pet

is showing any of the symptoms described above, please bring them in for an examination since the sooner we can start any required treatment, the better! If left too long, ear disease becomes very difficult to treat.

Disclaimer: As far as possible we have taken all due care to ensure that the information and advice given here is correct. It must, however, be realised that advice can differ in different circumstances. We can therefore accept no responsibility for errors and suggest seeking direct professional advice whenever there is any doubt.

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Poems to Ponder

The Age of Steam

It might be just a hunk of rust
But I recall the time
When fire was in her belly
And she was in her prime.

The way she stood in stations - just
A seeming gentle giant -
With steam that hissed impatiently
Proclaiming her defiant.

And how, at last, when brakes were off -
Her mighty wheels released
And turning, very slow at first,
She looked a mighty beast.

As clouds of smoke belched out with force
She'd quickly gather pace
And move along the metal rails
With awe-inspiring grace.

Until at last, her power built,
By George you'd see her fly,
The smoke the wind tore from her stack
trailed back across the sky.

And then you'd hear her whistle sound -
Fore-warning those ahead
That naught would stay her onward course
As on and on she sped.

What majesty, what majesty!
Alas it now would seem
The veils of time have closed upon
That magic "Age of Steam".

by Diane Hemp

If I Gave

If I gave you a Flower for every day I think of you
Then a garden of love would bloom and flower
If I shed a Tear for every night You've been away
Then a river would run from my heart to your door.

If I gave you a Diamond for every night of you
I Dream you would shine like the brightest Star
If I gave you a Tune for every time you are in my
Thoughts, Then the Music would forever play.

If I gave you a Day for all that I still long
Then my Life would, have already gone.

by Paul Stone

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N.C.I. Gorleston Coastwatch

On the 18th December in 1994, a local fishing boat capsized off Bass Point in Cornwall costing the lives of its two crew members. This tragedy took place in sight of an abandoned coastguard station which had previously closed. The closure was the result of a strategy made by the then Maritime and Coastguard Agency to curtail visual watches along the coastline. It was felt that advances in telecommunications, radar and satellite technology justified the decision to streamline its services.

The residents in the area acquired the Bass Point lookout from the National Trust for a peppercorn rent and staffed it with volunteers. Thus, the National Coastwatch Institution (NCI) came into being. The building at the end of Gorleston Pier, now occupied by NCI Gorleston Coastwatch, was previously used as the Operational Centre for the Yarmouth Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) until 1981 when it transferred to Havenbridge House. The lookout station then became an auxiliary coastguard station and remained in that capacity until around 1995.

May 1st saw the closure of the Yarmouth MRCC. All operations were controlled by Humber MRCC. Nine other Coastguard Stations ceased to operate as the result of a Government initiative to 'modernise' Her Majesty's Coastguard Service and to increase its 'efficiency'. The operational capability of these stations was transferred to 10 Coastguard Operations Centres sited throughout the UK.

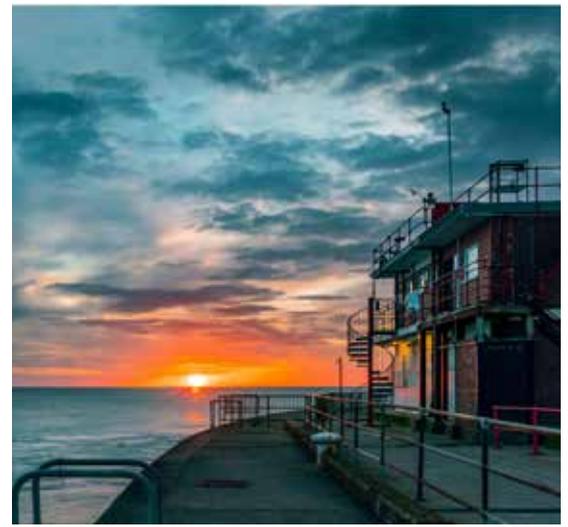
The Auxiliary Coastguard Service still remain in the area but moved from the Lookout Station to different premises in 1995. The building did not remain empty for long; in the same year, the NCI acquired the building and opened it as Gorleston Coastwatch. A visual watch over the North Sea and Coastline was once more restored. The NCI's mantra is 'Eyes along the Coast'. Ultimately, its raison d'être is to help save lives.

There are 57 NCI stations around the coastline of England and Wales, manned by over 2,600 fully trained and dedicated volunteers who keep a visual daylight watch every single day except for Christmas Day.

Gorleston Coastwatch currently has 24 active Watchkeepers. In the summer months, 4 hourly watches are undertaken from 0800 hours to 1200 hours; 1200 hours to 1600 hours and from 1600 to 2000 hours. Watchkeepers choose for themselves which shifts and how many they will undertake, using an online roster system. The



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minimum NCI requirement is to complete 2 watches per month. A number of Gorleston Watchkeepers often undertake 2 or 3 watches per week. During the winter months the time on each Watch is reduced from 4 to 3 hours.

Our Watchkeepers come from all walks of life and offer a wide range of transferable skills and experience. **We would give a very warm welcome to any of you readers who might like to join us.** You do not need to have marine knowledge or a nautical background. You will engage in a full training programme.

During a watch, all movements at sea from the smallest vessel to the largest are observed and recorded. To aid our tasks, the station is equipped with radios, radar, binoculars, telescopes, weather instrumentation and up to date Admiralty Charts. There is also a computerised system known as the Automatic Identification System (AIS) which enables us to monitor vessels in the harbour or out at sea in our vicinity. We also monitor radio channels and provide a listening watch in poor visibility. The weather and sea state is also observed, recorded and reported if required to do so.

Above all, we SPOT, PLOT, REPORT & RESPOND to all incidents in our visual area. These often form the basis of responses by search and rescue assets. Such incidents may include capsized dinghies, yachts aground, windsurfers detached from their boards, broken down jet skis, swimmers in difficulty, kayaks and paddle boards in difficulties and fishing vessels in trouble. There are also occasions when we have to deal with lost and found children and other vulnerable people. We are there to alert HM Coastguard and guide the appropriate rescue services to the casualty.

We have a strong bond with Her Majesty's Coastguard (HMCG), to whom we report, RNLI, local Coastguard Rescue Officers and other agencies within the Search and Rescue (SAR) community. HMCG is responsible for the initiation and co-ordination of all Search and Rescue in the UK.

We are subject to regular assessments to ensure that our knowledge and skills meet the high standard expected by the NCI and HM Coastguard.

As mentioned previously, you will be more than welcome to visit the station to find out more about the work we do. You might even wish to pick up an application form!

Alternatively, you can ring me on 07760 434340 for further information.

Tom Foster
Station Manager
NCI Gorleston Coastwatch

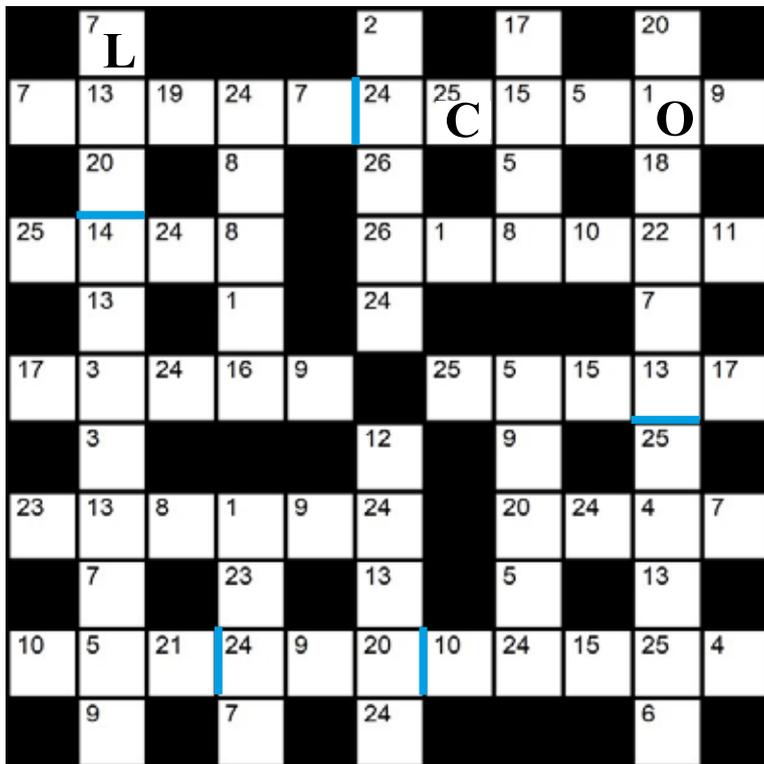
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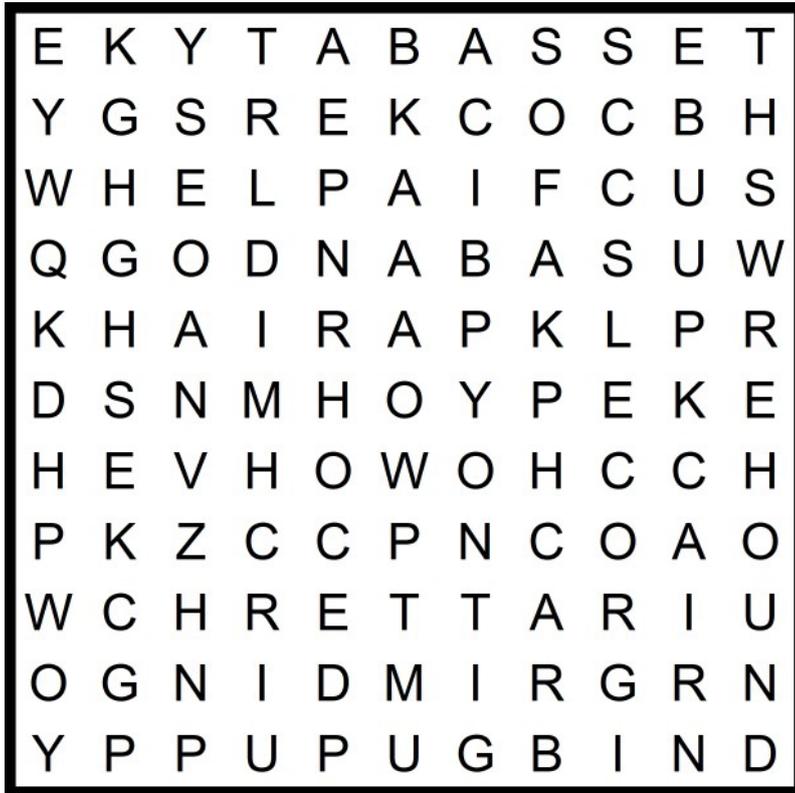
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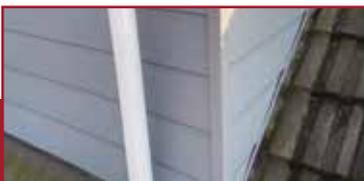
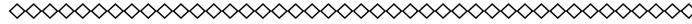
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Richard Routledge



Working for Sax Clothing had been brilliant, but I had learnt that when it's time to move on, move on, and after three years I felt it was right. A few weeks out of work gave me a bit of time out.

Then I had a call from a guy I knew from Great Yarmouth seafront. He rang me up and said he wanted to open up a shirt shop in Norwich, and would I be up for running it for him. I didn't take long to answer him and there I entered a new phase in my retail history.

It was a fabulous shop in White Lion Street, a great position right in the centre of Norwich. I helped with the buying and had a company car, and loved driving to Norwich every day. The city was so busy, the shop was lovely, and each item had a box to put it in, I was in heaven!

All was good, the shop was very busy, I worked on my own and was happy to do so. Christmas was coming and the run up was fantastic (I had never taken so much money in a shop before). The Christmas period was brilliant and then we had the January sale which to be honest was good too.

A few months after Christmas it all slowed up, which in retail often happens, and that's where the owner started to get unhappy and thought I was not working hard enough. Well, I saw the signs and I was right, a few weeks later I was out on my ear.

Being out of work did not worry me any more, I always felt I could get another job. In the next issue I'll tell you how my next job came about and changed my life for years.

Back on the promoting front it was all going well. I was just doing small parties for about two hundred people or going round their houses and DJing there. In the next issue life is starting to get a whole lot better!

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THE SS EZARDIAN, “A CASE OF SALVAGE”

“Launch” shouts coxswain
“Crimo” Crisp of the
Gorleston Volunteer
Lifeboat, ELIZABETH
SIMPSON, “Launch”
repeats the bowman and
the locking pins anchoring
the white hulled lifeboat to
the angled roller slipway
are knocked out. The big
riverside doors have already
been swung wide open

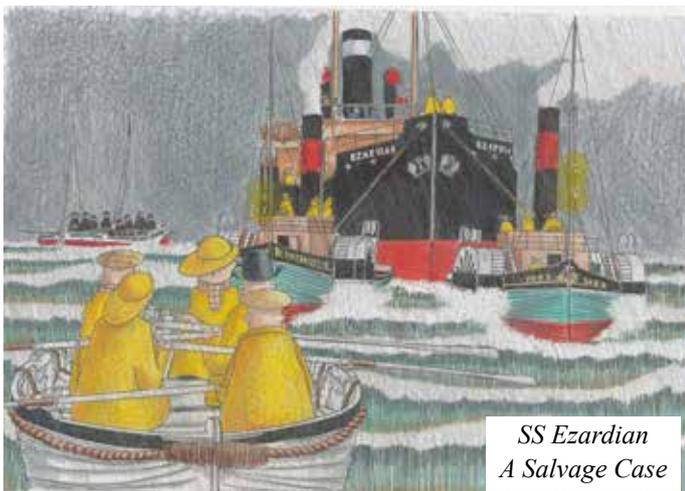


SS EZARDIAN painting

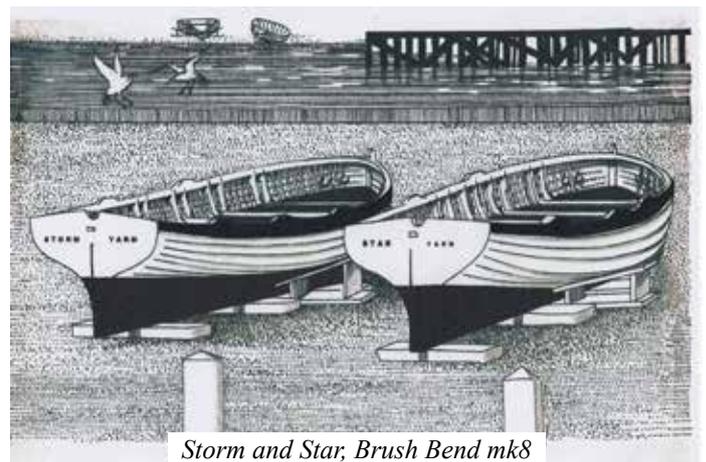
and the lifeboat accelerates down into the river amidst a terrific stern wave. Shipping and standing to their oars the men manoeuvre the lifeboat until such time as the paddle tug UNITED SERVICE comes alongside and a towing line is passed between them. As the black oilskinned and lifejacket clad crew stow their oars and set up the masts and the vessels proceed beyond the bar, pitching into the rough wet weather, shall we have a quick look round and see who is aboard? Apart from the coxswain, there's J. Bensley, H. Bowles, Brown senior and Brown junior, C. Childs, G. Gooch. William “Billy” Fleming (“Billy” would go on to become the RNLI's second most decorated lifeboatman), Sidney “Sparks” Harris, E. Harris, G. Leggett, G. Morley, three of the Newsons, A. William and G. Sam Parker, R. Spurgeon, Sam Woods, A. Wiley and another client who we cannot quite make out, now that's some crew!

It was just after lunch on Sunday, January 5th, 1919 and a steamer proceeding through the Roads passed word that a ship had gone onto the Holm Sand Bank off Lowestoft and was flying flags indicating that she required immediate attention. On arrival at the scene the lifeboatmen found the disabled SS EZARDIAN (launched December 1908) of 875 gross register tonnage. She was in a bit of bother but not in any immediate danger and the crew did not require lifesaving, what was needed was to get the ship off the bank as quickly as possible by salvaging her. From Gorleston the shallow draught salvage paddle tug YARE was summoned and joined the fleet towing out the Four Oared Boat STAR

with Charles “Sappy” Chilvers on board. STAR came alongside the ELIZABETH SIMPSON and “Sappy” swapped places with “Billy”, “Sappy” now coxing the Lifeboat in place of “Crimo” and “Billy” coxing STAR. Pitching and rolling, “Billy” and his crew in the STAR skilfully managed to transfer the towing warps angled outwards from the EZARDIAN's bow to the two tugs lying abreast of each other beyond the edge of the bank. With smoke belching from their red and black funnels the sky blue hulled tugs took up the strain and with thrashing paddles they managed to ease the SS EZARDIAN from off her perch on the Holm Bank into deeper water and by all accounts continued to tow her into Yarmouth Roads where no doubt she was inspected extremely closely for any signs of damage before proceeding on her way. In 1922 the SS EZARDIAN was in collision with the SS ZUIDERDIJK and sank off the Dutch coast, her wreck having to be eventually blown up. The salvage paddle tug YARE was lost on the Scroby sands on the 13th July 1927 having struck the remains of the HOPELYN, wrecked previously during October 1922. At some future point the Four Oared Salvage Boat STAR disappeared from the fleet as the last four remaining in the mid 1930's appears to have been the PIONEER, STORM, CALM and YOUNG RANGER which was smashed up by a Russian ship in 1935. UNITED SERVICE was scrapped in 1942 and as far as I know the dried out remains of the famous lifeboat ELIZABETH SIMPSON now sadly sit abandoned in a field out Fakenham way somewhere. *N. Royall.*



SS Ezardian
A Salvage Case



Storm and Star, Brush Bend mk8

Monthly Recipe

from Fleetwoods Butchers

Goan Spiced Butter Chicken with Cauliflower

Serves 4/6, Cooking time - 2 hours 20 mins



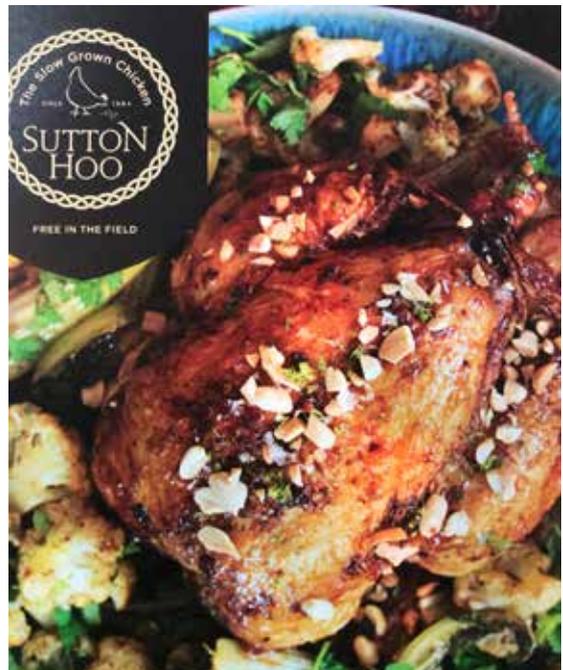
Ingredients

- 1 whole Sutton Hoo free range chicken
- 1 large cauliflower, cut into chunky wedges, keeping the leaves
- 1 ½ tbsp Goan curry powder
- 150g unsalted butter
- 150g mango chutney
- 70g raw peanuts, chopped and lightly toasted
- 1 zest of lime, keeping wedges to serve
- 150g natural yoghurt
- 1 bunch of fresh coriander, chopped

4. Brush the chicken all over with some mango chutney until all glossy. Then scatter a handful of the toasted peanuts over the chicken and sprinkle the lime zest and some salt. Tip the roasted cauliflower around the chicken.
5. Finish by sprinkling the coriander leaves and the remaining peanuts over the chicken and cauliflower. Serve with the yoghurt, mango chutney and lime slices on the side.

Method

1. Heat the oven to 220c/200 fan/gas mark 7. Melt half the butter in a pan, then stir in half the curry powder, once combined take off the heat immediately. Place the chicken in your chosen roasting tin, then brush with your spiced butter. Season with salt and roast for 20 minutes. After this reduce the temperature to 140c/gas mark 1 and roast for a further 1 hour or until chicken is cooked.
2. When the chicken has 10 minutes left, melt the remaining butter in a large pan and stir in the remaining curry powder. Add the cauliflower including the leaves to the pan and toss until coated in the spiced butter.
3. Transfer the chicken to a large serving platter to rest and tip the cauliflower into the roasting tin, allowing it to soak up all the chicken juices. Then roast for around 10 minutes until golden and tender.



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Sunday School Anniversary and Outing

The following is another transcript by GoSH member Les Cockrill of the memories of Helen Woods, nee Lockhart born in 1890, daughter of David Lockhart and Harriet Lockhart, nee Cockrill, Les' 1st cousin twice removed.

A great day for the Lowestoft Road Chapel was the Sunday School Anniversary. On the following Thursday, came the Outing or Treat. Four Thursday afternoons off were granted by the Education Authority for this function for different denominations.

The first ones I remember were the most colourful. We assembled at the Sunday School at 1.30; the children were put into big farm wagons; we had to stand and were packed in like sardines. The wagons were pulled by a steam engine used for thrashing on the farms and, since we crawled along at about three miles per hour, we came to no harm. We went to a farm near Lound Run and, as in those days, at that time of the year, the wind came from S or S W and [because] we were going in that direction we got smothered in blacks. [soot from the traction engine chimney]

Once we got there we roamed about the fields and the lanes, perfectly safe because there was no traffic at all. Tea was taken early; the milk was provided by the farm and the water was boiled in the farm's copper. We had bread and butter and gooseberries for tea and, drank from mugs we had brought ourselves, which had been tied with a tape by the children's mothers. We had slices of Madeira cake with a thick topping of marzipan, sold in the shops at 4d a lb. After tea came the races for different ages, the most popular being the three-legged race, the sack race and the egg and spoon. Prizes were given of balls, pencils etc. Then we were lined up, given a ½d bath bun each, and mounted our transport for home at about 7 o'clock, singing our Anniversary hymns all the way; and when we passed the cottages they came out and waved to us - happy days!



"A photograph of Helen when she was a child."

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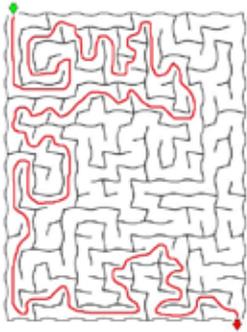
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Down: 1 Bronze medal, 2 Occurrences, 3 Windy, 4 In principle, 6 Del, 12 Agate, 14 F B I.



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Fallen Phrase

Be yourself; everyone else is taken - Oscar Wilde

Word Ladder

gift, lift, life, lime, time

Caught in the middle

vine, bath, office, paint, bell

Crunch 'em

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Well, it really has been celebrations all round, with Gorleston A Team winning The Wiltshire Cup. Folkes Plant & Aggregates are proud shirt sponsors of the team and sending many congratulations. More champagne was popped when L.G. Perfect and partners' team, Gorleston FC, triumphed in the Norfolk Senior Cup. With a brand new 3G Pitch ready at East Norfolk Sixth Form, and Norwich City back in the Premier League, there really is so much to look forward to this coming football season.

If, like me, you love Bells Road, then please do follow the newly created Facebook page **Love Bells Road**. Look out for what might be opening next, meet the fabulous traders,

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Ormiston Venture Academy

Ormiston Venture Academy 'Music Gurus' share their skills with fellow students

Students at Ormiston Venture Academy, which is sponsored by Ormiston Academies Trust (OAT), have become 'music gurus' and are helping younger students to learn musical instruments.

The music gurus are a selected group of year 10 students with a real talent in music. They have spent the last two years instructing younger students in music. The idea was born from the opportunity to participate in the #iwill social action project and has been led by Mrs Hannah Leggett.



Mrs Leggett who leads the #iwill project at Venture commented:

"The music guru students have fully committed to a 'new' way of delivering their sessions. Their confidence improved so much teaching younger students in small groups last year; coming back this term and having to learn new skills like recording blogs and clips of them teaching has added another string to their bow! I'm very proud of them all."



The music gurus have planned, designed and set up their own pre-recorded tutorials, teaching other students how to hold and play an instrument during the return from lockdown in a virtual format. The aim is to provide this tuition to every member of the year 7 community by the end of the academic year and cascade their love of music to younger students.



Mr McNally, Assistant Principal added that:

"We feel by delivering the tuition in a remote format coupled by having the #iwill music gurus 'on hand' to answer any questions, the project can still be delivered to the masses and have the desired impact."

The year 7 students are now able to play basic chords and notes on two different instruments as a result of the music gurus' tuition. They also now have the opportunity to 'loan' an instrument for a half term after their tuition, in order to practise and master the skills they have been introduced to as part of a 'Music Scholarship' programme the gurus have set up.

The music gurus report their confidence and ability to lead people has grown, as has their presentation skills, and more recently, their technology-based skill set. They have showcased their skills during events such as the Christmas and summer fairs, and plan to take their talents into the local community in the future.



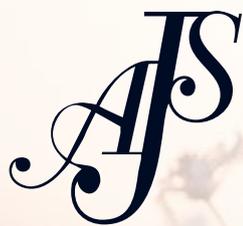


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