The community newsletter delivered free to homes in and around Heatherside and Cheylesmore





SundaysAlive! Something new is happening on Sunday mornings

Building on the success of KidsAlive 325, Heatherside Church has started a new service called SundaysAlive. Just like the Thursday after-school service, SundaysAlive is fun, lively and interactive. EVERYONE IS INVITED.

All the features of a regular Sunday Church service are included; singing, bible reading and prayer. However, unlike most services families are able to stay together for the whole time - there's no crèche or Sunday School. The style is relaxed, and anyone who enjoys young-hearted worship is invited, whether you have children or not.

Heatherside Church Council recognised that families want to stay together in church, but that a traditional service wasn't "toddler friendly". SundaysAlive was introduced to meet this need, and the response has been very positive.

Come along at 9am - Heatherside Church meets in the Community Centre - and then stay for coffee afterwards while the children enjoy a craft activity.

Heatherside Church

Martindale Avenue, Heatherside, Camberley GU15 1BB

Weekly Services

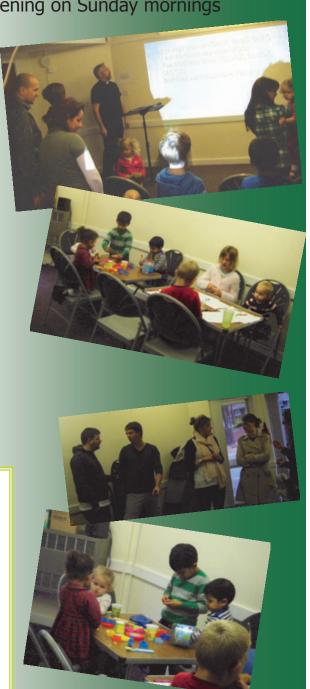
Tuesdays: 2.30pm Afternoon Fellowship (for the over 50's) Thursdays: 3.30 for 4pm KidsAlive325 (at Heather Ridge School)

Sundays: 9.00am SundaysAlive

10.00am for 10.30am Morning Worship

Church Office (in the Community Centre): 01276 678015 Open Tuesday—Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm Email heathersidechurch@tiscali.co.uk Website: www.heathersidechurch.org.uk

Minister: Rev'd Larry Bain







Heatherside Church Golf Society

On Friday 28th October we had our third outing of the year at Test Valley Golf Club. With the sun shining, 25 members competed for the Steve

Roberts Trophy, the winner being Stuart Clements (pictured here with the other winners of the day) with a creditable 39 points. A wonderful carvery lunch rounded off a great day.



New members are very welcome to join this informal club, which just has three society games a year. If interested please email us at: hcgs@heathersidechurch.org.uk

Heatherside Resident Joins Women's Cancer Challenge

Local Heatherside resident Penny Anderson is getting on her bike and taking positive action in the fight against breast, ovarian and cervical cancers.

Unfortunately, Penny lost her mother Jackie to Cancer in May this year, and sees this as a wonderful opportunity to raise money for such a worthwhile cause.

Penny, along with her best friend Loraine Ewart, will be part of an amazing group of women tackling the 2nd "Women V Cancer" Challenge. They will both be challenging themselves as part of a women only team of cyclists riding through India to support the work of three British charities: Breast Cancer Care, Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust and Ovarian Cancer Action.



The group will cycle around 350km over 5 days - both on and off road - experiencing rural India away from the usual tourist trails. It will be a journey of fun, friendship and incredible support as women of all ages and all walks of life come together to challenge themselves for a great cause.

As well as training hard Penny needs to raise a minimum of £2800 to support the work of the Women v Cancer charities and she is asking local people and companies to help her reach her target.

To pledge your support for Penny either post your sponsorship donation, made payable to Women v Cancer, to her home address, 9 Bramcote, Camberley, Surrey, GU15 1SJ or telephone her on 01276 490006. Alternatively an online donation can be made at Penny's page:

www.justgiving.com/Penny-Anderson. It's easy, fast and totally secure.





TAF

Tuesday Afternoon Fellowship is organised by Heatherside Church and meets in the Pine and Birch Rooms at the Community Centre at 2.30pm each Tuesday.

We have a varied programme including visiting speakers, slide-shows, musical entertainment, quizzes and the ever popular 'strawberry tea'. Each afternoon begins with a hymn and a prayer and ends with refreshments.

'Tuesday is a very special day because of TAF'.

'It is good to meet with a group of such friendly, happy people'.



'What I enjoy about TAF are the visiting speakers who share with us their experiences and adventures'.

'I loved the 'Songs of Praise' afternoon. I also look forward to the quizzes'.

We are always ready to welcome new members, so why not pop along and join us one afternoon. For more details please contact Penny on (01276) 683965



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From the Vicar's Desk

Christmas -surprise, surprise...

When I read the Christmas story about the first Christmas I can't



help thinking that it was a tremendous surprise for all those involved – it's even quite a surprise or a shock for a baby when it is born - so we could probably surmise that even baby Jesus was probably quite surprised when he entered this world. 2000 years ago the Jewish nation was waiting for a King to come and overthrow the Romans and rule in the place of King Herod or even the Emperor for that matter, and all they got was a baby born to a poor family in an obscure town. They were surprised to say the least and many did not believe. Noble and wise men – astrologers probably - came from the east and arrived at the King's palace looking for a prince (one who was to become a king) but were surprised to be turned away and end up in a stable with the animals. I expect even the animals were surprised to hear the crying of a baby in their manger.

The shepherds weren't looking for a baby King either and were surprised to be disturbed by angels heralding the birth of Baby Jesus. If you read the story at the beginning of Matthew's and Luke's gospels in the Bible you will discover that the arrival of baby Jesus was a surprise to Joseph and Mary as well. It is also a surprising thing that a baby born in such circumstances is still worshipped today as God. I read recently that in China there are now 30 million people who worship Jesus and call themselves Christians – if you think about it that is truly surprising in a country that, until recently, taught all children in schools that there was/is no God.

I pray that God might surprise you over this festive season and that you might discover for yourself something about who Jesus is.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and blessed Christmas – watch out for the God of surprises.... **Larry Bain,** Minister, Heatherside Church

We look forward to welcoming you to our Christmas celebrations, details can be found on the back page, or contact the Church Office on 01276 678015.



Parent and Toddler Group

Why not come along to our Parent and Toddler group and make new friends?

Babies and children up to the age of 4 welcome. We meet in the Community Centre every Tuesday 2-3.30 pm (Term-time only)

£1.50 per family, which includes refreshments.

For more info please contact Heatherside Church Office on 01276 678015, or just pop in and join the fun, you will be very welcome

10th Camberley Guides

This term we went on a bat walk along the Blackwater Valley, courtesy of the Blackwater Bat Conservation team, seeing a variety of bats coming out at dusk for their evening meal. Also, a group of 25 attended *The Big Gig* at Wembley Arena, which is a pop concert solely for the Guides. The girls were chuffed to see the likes of Olly Murs, Pixie Lott, Loick Essien and The Wanted, plus many more. Wembley was full of flashing bunny ears and screaming girls.



We have been working on an interesting project this term making pennants for the 2012 Olympic Games. *Quilts 4 London* are trying to make 14,000 pennants to give as gifts to participating athletes in the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Traditionally



in sport, competitors exchange pennants as a sign of friendship. To continue this tradition, and as a memento of their participation in this event, our Unit has decided to help provide a selection of pennants. Anyone can get involved. Their website is www.quilts4london.org.uk but be aware, the closing date is 31st December 2011.

We are extremely proud to have six of our Guides travelling internationally next year. Three Guides are going to Iceland and three to Poland. We are fundraising to support the girls and wish them every success with their trips. If you would like any more information about Girlguiding in Heatherside - Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Young Leaders or Adult Helpers - then please contact our District Commissioner, June Cobbett, on 01276 500476 or email junecobbett@hotmail.com.



4th Frimley (Heatherside) Scout Group

Beavers aged 6 – 8 Cub Scouts aged 8 - 10½ Scouts aged 10½ - 14

As you read this, Christmas will be upon us and the long summer days a distant memory.

All of our sections have had a busy autumn term and, with the darker evenings, meetings tend to be more focused on indoor activities. This is the time for

concentrating on badge work but interspersed with visits and trips out including bonfire night, games and night hikes.

We have over 70 young people from age 6 to 14 across all of our sections and our numbers are up year on year. However we are only able to provide Scouting on Heatherside with adult volunteers who run the meetings, provide background support and administration.

We have a long waiting list of children wanting to join Beavers and we would like to be able to open another Colony but we cannot do this without more adult volunteers.

Adults in scouting are from all walks of life, yet the one thing they share is the enjoyment of helping



young people reach their full potential. You may not think you have the skills or the time to help but everyone has something to give. You may not be able to commit to help every week but you can always "job share" with someone else in a similar position.

To find out more or for an informal, "no commitment" chat please contact me by e-mail at: grahamcorser@surreyheathscouts.org.uk

Please visit our Group website for all the up to date news, events, photos and information about Scouting on Heatherside. www.4thfrimley.org



Heather Ridge Infant School

As usual, it's been a very busy time at the school. All the Reception children joined us full time in September and are now very much settled into the routines of the weeks. The Year 1 children have been enjoying their new outdoor learning area and

been busy with making robots, learning new songs and being part of Key Stage 1. In Year 2, the children have had a school trip to Bournemouth and shared all their learning with parents in their Class Assemblies. From their guided reading, they've

also been making fabulous puppets and to support their retelling of stories, have used these to perform to the Year 1 Classes.

We recently opened our new ICT suite and new work area – both children and staff are very excited to have these areas now available. Already we are wondering how we managed without them! Our next project is to update our reception area and incorporate a new library within this. Future fund raising will be for this and towards the upkeep of the technology equipment within the school – as a 21^{st} century



school, we want to ensure our children have access to all forms of learning. In the lead up to Christmas, there will be lots going on.





KidsAlive 325 helper Rose tells us about a typical afternoon -

School's out at Heather Ridge and Kids Alive 325 take over the hall. On a Thursday in term time we transform the hall to a theme. This term is the Wild West Gold Rush.

The doors open at 3.30pm for refreshment and the buzz begins. Children bright eyed and full of chatter and laughter find their name badges, drinks and a biscuit. Once the children are sorted, parents also have a drink of tea, coffee and biscuits.

The children then spend a short time colouring, making shapes with play dough or panning for gold

nuggets in the sand.

Now it's time for the second rush on my refreshment skills. The older children are arriving from middle school. Some of these children help with the sound and projection system and puppets.



Captain John Marrow changes into his cowboy outfit, Rev'd Larry Bain hands out the cowboy hats to the volunteers, and the Wagons Roll! The children take turns dressing up as an Indian Chief, sitting in the wigwam until they are called upon to pan for gold - in our case a word from the Bible.

Puppets, action songs, laughter and prayer all make for a good time together.

Why do I go and help? I enjoy the atmosphere, it is a joy to see the children taking part and building friendships with one another and God.

Sounds like fun? Then come along on a Thursday from 3.30pm at Heather Ridge School. The service starts at 4pm and children (with parents and carers) from all local schools are welcome. For more information contact Heatherside Church Office on 01276 678015

Senior Citizens

Our club meets in the Community Centre every Thursday from 2-4pm. We all enjoy the company of others and the fellowship as we enjoy a cup of tea and chat. We play various social games and listen to an occasional speaker.

Recently we were visited by the children of Heather Ridge Infant School who celebrated Harvest Festival with us. We all enjoyed the gifts they brought and would like to thank all the parents for their generosity. The children are so well behaved and sang beautifully.

We extend a welcome hand to anyone who would like to join us - just come along or give me a ring on 01276 23980 Hilda Cooper, Chairman.

Paul Ilnicki

Since the last Newslink, the Rev'd Larry Bain and I judged the 'Design a Bin' competition. There were a high number of imaginative and colourful ideas to use in the poster campaign. It was a very difficult job to choose our winner, Samuel Lloyd, but all the children need to be congratulated, and of course a big thank you to the teachers at Heather Ridge Infant School for their invaluable help. The bins will soon be decorated with Samuel's winning entry.

A new speed limit of 50 mph on Red Road is soon to be introduced. This should help to reduce the number of serious accidents, injuries and fatalities that have

occurred over recent times. The date of the next policing team Panel Meeting is Wednesday 21st December at the Community Centre, starting at 6.30pm. Do please come along and contribute your views and ideas. The photo shows our new neighbourhood officer PC Corinna Last and me at the Halloween Howler event.



I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me on any council related or community matters: Tel 01276 66635 or email paul.ilnicki@surreyheath.gov.uk

Ian Cullen

If you go to www.senassist.com you will hear me narrating a delightfully animated version of The Christmas Story. This seasonal gift offering from Heatherside based SENassist includes



free printable activities for young children.

A programme of replacing the majority of streetlights in Heatherside and Parkside (and indeed the whole of Surrey Heath) is underway. The old lights are being replaced and details can be found on www.surreycc.gov.uk/streetlights.

If you are not already aware of the Surrey Heath Residents' blog, may I suggest you to take a look? It's a great source of information about local news and events.

The signs are that we may be in for another harsh winter. Gravel and salt containers will be kept filled by SCC and be more plentiful, but the best policy is to be prepared by having salt, grit, shovel etc in your garden shed, garage or car boot. If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to call me on 01276 23213 and I will do what I can to help. email ian.cullen@surreyheath.gov.uk.

A Date for Your Diary (with Dad's Army)

As part of the 2012 jubilee festivities, Camberley Theatre will host a words and music celebration of the British Empire. Sandhurst Silver Band and local professionals will be joined by veteran actor Frank Williams, the vicar from Dad's Army. All proceeds to Help for Heroes and the Royal British Legion. The performances will be on Sunday May 27 and Monday May 28 at 7.30pm.

Introducing our new Neighbourhood Officer

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, my name is PC Corinna Last and I am pleased to say that I am the new Neighbourhood Specialist Officer responsible for Heatherside and Parkside. I have been a Police Constable since 2009 and prior to joining the Surrey Heath Safer Neighbourhood Team I worked as a response police officer based at Guildford.

I am enjoying my new role and the challenges that it brings. However, for me to be able to do my job properly I need the assistance of the local residents. Without information and reports from you I am unable to build an accurate picture of any issues in the area. I work closely with PCSO Vince Wakeling and together we hold regular Panel Meetings at the Heatherside Community Centre. The Panel Meeting is the community's chance to make me aware of any problems and discuss issues that are important to them. I would really like there to be increase in the number of residents attending the meetings, after all this is your community so your voice matters. The next Panel Meeting is Wednesday 21st December at 6.30pm at the Heatherside Community Centre. I look forward to meeting you then!





Celebrating Harvest

This autumn Heatherside celebrated harvest twice.



On 2nd October, the congregation of St Barbara's Church in Deepcut invited Heatherside Church to join their harvest service. A collection of food was given to Mike Jackson House in Aldershot which supports those who have served in our armed forces but who are now finding themselves in need of assistance. Padré Mandy Reynoldswas pleased to announce that in addition to the food, over £200 was collected by the congregation.



On 9th October Heatherside Church held its own harvest celebration welcoming Scouts, Guides and their families. A collection of food and toiletries was donated to Step by Step, who provide support and housing for young homeless people from across the local area.

Savoy Singers

"What a wonderful evening's entertainment you provided for your audience".

These are just a few of the favourable comments received following our production in October of "Two hours of pure joy. We thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Lovely music and well produced and acted, as usual".

"I could have quite happily sat through the show again".

THEIR STORY IN SONG, a Revue which followed the lives of Rodgers and Hammerstein and their musical partnerships

It included songs from shows in the 20s such as *Rose Marie*, *The Desert Song* and *Showboat* right up to shows in the 40s to 60s such as *Oklahoma*, *South Pacific*, *The King and I* and *The Sound of Music*. A veritable feast of top songs from top shows, and no wonder the audiences left the Theatre singing! The photograph alongside will give you a flavour of the action on stage.





SOMETHING SPECIAL is being "brewed up" for our next Show in March as we shall be performing *THE SORCERER* by those Victorian masters, W S Gilbert & Sir Arthur Sullivan. The English people and a cup of tea are synonymous, and in the plot cups of tea play an important role, especially when they have been doctored with a love filter!

You can expect a little romance, delightful music by Sullivan mixed with Gilbert's usual witty and pithy dialogue. Make a note now of the performance dates at Camberley Theatre: 7th to 10th March 2012. The Society welcomes potential new singers and actors, and for more information please visit our new website www.savoysingers.co.uk Further information can be obtained by contacting Pam Stevens on 07710 772792 or e-mail secretary@savoysingers.co.uk

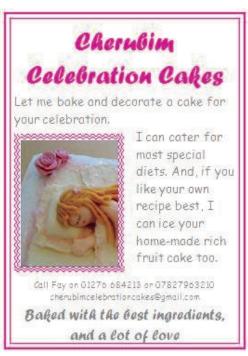
Winter Preparations

By the time Newslink hits your doormats, winter will be upon us. We should check now to see how prepared we all are if we face another harsh winter. As well as insulating our houses, checking over the car (tyres, battery, anti-freeze, wipers etc.) also consider stocking-up with a bag or two of grit/salt (readily available from a garden centre). Our Council grit bins in Heatherside & Parkside are in the process of being filled before the ice and snow. They will be refilled once more during the winter season. Please don't pinch the salt/grit for your driveways!

A number of our roads will be routinely gritted as Priority 1 routes including Portsmouth Road, The Maultway, Upper Chobham Rd, Prior Rd, Cumberland Rd, Inglewood Avenue, Martindale Avenue, Chobham Rd and Old Bisley Rd. A map showing these routes will be displayed outside the Community Centre, Let's be prepared for winter - and do not forget elderly or disabled neighbours I am always available to help or advice.

Councillor David Ivison

County Councillor for Heatherside & Parkside Tel 01276 27778; email; david.ivison@virgin.net



HEATHERSIDE COMMUNITY CENTRE				
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MON	Pre-school U3A Tai Chi Ballet Slimming World Badminton Club	8.50 11.50am 12.30 - 3.00pm 4.00 - 7.00pm 5.30 - 7.00pm 8.00 - 9.30pm	Kate Clifford Colin Glass Natalie Wraight Angela Williams Bill Warren	01276 469733 01276 501492 01276 472093 07879 471855 01276 500166
TUES	Music with Mummy Pre-school Parent & Toddler Group Afternoon Fellowship Martial Arts Weight Watchers Moves Fitness Youth Group Badminton Club	9.30 – 12 noon 8.50 - 11.50am 2.00 – 3.30pm 2.30 - 4.00pm 5.00 – 6.00pm 6.15 - 7.15pm 6.45 - 7.45pm 7.45 - 9.45pm 8.30 - 10.30pm	Ann-Marie Woodley Kate Clifford Church Office Dawn Radford James May Melanie Alison Pascoe Ciaran Cleasby Dave	01276 670221 01276 469733 01276 678015 01276 509463 07817 790259 077990 515281 01276 473717 07968 833965 01276 20544
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THUR	Pre-school Music with Mummy Senior Citizens Club Karate Pilates Class Men's Keep Fit Rosemary Conley	8.50 – 11.50am 9.30 – 3.00pm 2.00 – 4.00pm 4.30 - 5.30pm 6.30 - 7.30pm 7.30 – 8.30pm 8.00 – 9.30pm	Kate Clifford Ann-Marie Woodley Hilda Cooper D. Bishop Julia Foley Contact HCA Sarah	01276 469733 01276 670221 01276 23980 07908 202273 07890 963153 01276 63208 07900 254395
FRI	Pre-school Pre-school U3A Tap Dancing Ballet	8.50 – 11.50am 1.35 – 4.15pm 2.00 - 3.00pm 4.00 –7.00pm	Kate Clifford Kate Clifford Colin Glass Natalie Wraight	01276 469733 01276 469733 01276 501492 01276 472093
SUN (1st Sun	Heatherside Church day of month) D of E Awards	See front page 7.00pm – 9.00pm	Church Office Ian Loy	01276 678015 01276 500154

HEATHERSIDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Email: heatherside.ca@tiscali.co.uk

Heatherside Church Christmas Services held in the Community Centre unless otherwise noted Sunday 18th December 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight Christmas Eve 3.30pm Crib Service (suitable for under 5s) 5pm Christingle (for all the family) 11.30pm Midnight Communion (at St Barbara's Church, Deepcut) Christmas Day 9am Family Service 10.30am Holy Communion

Heatherside Community Association

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee 5th June 2012



The Community
Association is hoping to hold a "Party in the Park" event on the green to celebrate the Queen's diamond jubilee. This event is currently in the early planning stages.

We will need volunteers to help on the day

If you are interested please contact: Anita or Pam in the office (01276 63208) or Pat Parry, HCA Chairman (01276 61252)

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