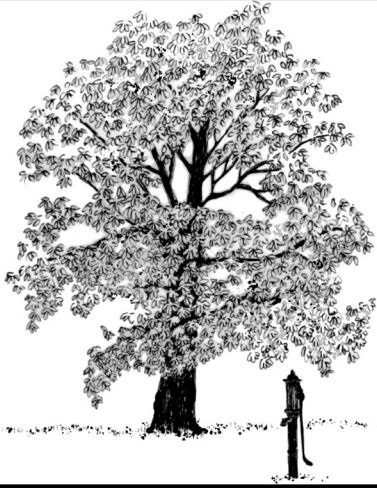




Cuddington Village Voice

October 2022

Community Event

After consideration and consultation, the Village Day, renamed "Community Event", went ahead on Saturday 10th September. I went along accompanied by working cocker Pango, a winner in last year's dog show. I was also promoting a raffle organised by Pam's Bakehouse in aid of an autism early support unit in Middle Claydon. It was incredibly quiet at the start of the event with hardly anyone in sight. Had people voted with their feet? As the afternoon went on, however, it was clear that the event would be very well attended. We were in the safe hands of our compere Mike Cottman, we knew what was going on, and when and where to be with our dogs. Mike gave a tribute to Her Majesty and pointed out the area of quiet reflection by the jubilee tree. The weather was mostly good, with a slight drizzle followed by bright sunshine. All the usual stalls were there, cakes, books and DVDs, and the Florence Nightingale tombola, which raised a huge amount for the hospice. Games included hoopla, hook a duck, and splat the rat. Lovely relaxing Reiki by Erica was available too. I didn't have time to get my own Chakras realigned, sadly, but I did have time for a fabulous cheeseburger from the Clayton family BBQ. Further games (wheel barrow races above), plus a tug of war, were arranged by Charles Sanderson. Teas and coffees were available, and the bar was open. There was a nostalgic display of vintage cars and tractors, including a parade. A brilliant band played, The Fine Young Cuddingtons...who knew we had that talent in the village? (Please play again soon!) ... I must give a huge round of applause for those behind the scenes, behind the stalls and behind the bar... as having these responsibilities makes it extremely difficult to take part in the event in the same way. Oh, and the dog show, organised by Lizzie GH. For a small village and its surrounding area, the variety of dogs was HUGE. The show went well with minimal misbehaviour from the dogs, I can't speak for the owners. Sadly, despite wearing her matching Liberty print collar and lead, Pango came nowhere, but still, it's the taking part that counts!

Carol Hayward

For all the dog show highlights turn to page 5



Peggy Cattell 1922-2022 Fudge and Marmalade!



Yes, Peggy would have been 100 years old this month. And when we moved to Cuddington in 1989 Peggy, with Nan, was Cuddington; and Cuddington was Peggy – it is hard to imagine our fantastic village without her. So many of the village's institutions we take for granted, were founded, or revived by her, a true pillar of our community.

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Save the date Saturday 8th July 2023 Cuddington Fete Returns

A new committee with faces old and new, we are keen to work with as many of our village societies and residents as we can, to continue this much loved traditional fete.

If you would like to be involved contact:

Cuddington.Fete@gmail.com





Queen Elizabeth II

The last few weeks have seen a huge amount of coverage of the death of Queen Elizabeth the Second and there is now nothing new that has not been seen and heard many times. However, it is totally appropriate for Village Voice to record the sadness of Cuddington residents and their immense gratitude to her for her constancy, humanity and devotion to duty that she has shown over more than 70 years. For most of us, the shock has been magnified by the fact that we have known no other monarch for all our lives.

2022 has brought momentous change, a war in Europe, inflation at a level not seen since the 1970s, political and Government upheaval, monumental effects of climate change and now a new King, Charles the Third. Now we all need now to look forward positively, support each other and make things work together.

We are very fortunate to live in a fantastic environment where we are insulated from some of the worst situations occurring in the rest of the world. Ken Birkby

Wildlife Project Update

Further to raising money from the Heart of Bucks, the Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board and personal donations the wildlife project is nearing completion.

A bench has been installed on Lower Green and has a plaque in memory of Peggy and Nan Cattell who did so much for Cuddington and are sadly missed by all who knew them.

The bench is proving to be a popular place with residents and visitors to the village. The bird boxes have been installed in the school playground and in the Playing Fields. Many thanks to Jack Luckett for installing them. Jack is doing his Duke of Edinburgh award, and offered to install the boxes as part of the volunteering section - it proved to be a bit more complex than first thought! Good luck with the award Jack. Julia Ridout and I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to making this project a success.

Lorraine Stevens

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Services in October

- 2nd October All-Age Holy Communion
- 9th October Holy Communion.
- Children's activities in Bernard Hall
- 16th October All Age Service
- 23rd October Morning Worship.
- Children's activities in Bernard Hall
- 30th October All Age Service

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Peggy Cattell 1922-2022

Fudge and Marmalade!

Peggy was originally from Warwickshire. After attending Malvern Hall School in Solihull she read English at the University of Birmingham; and then became a teacher – initially in Folkestone, Kent, and in 1959, she moved to the new Aylesbury High School. She remained there until she retired as both Head of the English Department and Deputy Headmistress.

Together with her younger sister, Nan, she organised, and was involved in flower festivals, drop-in coffee mornings, Friends of St Nicholas, the History Society, the Parish Council, tea and hot cross buns on Good Friday, the WI, the PCC, the tennis club, the village fete – especially her fudge and marmalade, still talked about fondly by those lucky enough to have sampled it, etc, etc, etc. All this and more was recognised some years ago when both sisters were invited to personally receive Maundy Money from the Queen at a service in Oxford's Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford – an honour which recognised their Christian service to the church and community over many years.

But perhaps, even more importantly, was Peggy's hospitality, and encouragement for others to participate in church activities – whether it was reading, flower arranging, or, in my case, once playing Mary in the annual Nativity play which involved most of Cuddington. This was Peggy at her best – encouraging and supporting everyone.

All this, and more, helped create a special and friendly village.

Hesleden – their home when we arrived in Cuddington (they'd previously lived in Wellfield House, next door)

was for many years the natural focus for church and village meetings of all kinds. And whenever a 'bring and share lunch' took place there was always enough, and delicious desserts too! They then 'down-sized' to Linnets,

but the 'open-door' policy continued – Hot Cross buns, after the Good Friday Reflection (again an excellent Cattell initiative), and other social gatherings. It was only latterly that Peggy and Nan moved into residential care.

But, for many, her great legacy is Village Voice. In the late 1990s the PCC asked the village what they would like the church to do for them. The overwhelming response was – a village magazine, and thus 'Village Voice' was born. Peggy, together with Nan and Roger Frazer formed the original editorial team, and I'm personally indebted to all of them for all their years of commitment, attention to detail, as well as editorial wisdom.

So, I'll end as I began – Peggy is Cuddington, and Cuddington is Peggy.

With thanks to David Benson and Angela Sanderson for their contribution.
Helen Keeping



Elizabeth Miller 1935-2022

We are sad to let you know that Elizabeth Miller who lived in the annexe of 6 Hillside Cottages for the last nine years died at the end of June, in Wycombe Hospital, after a short illness.

She was born in Malta of Naval parents. After a languages degree in St. Andrews University, and marriage in 1959, she taught for 12 years, and then did a Dip. AD in Dyfed College of Art, Carmarthen, followed by post graduate years at City and Guilds Kennington, and Sir John Cass Art Schools.

Using her maiden name Elizabeth Studdert was a well known sculptor, a compulsive carver in wood, stone and alabaster. Her bronze resin works are cast from the carvings. She was interested in tension, a flowing line and balance and in working towards abstraction. In 1999 she was elected Associate Member of the Royal British Society of Sculptors. During her life she lived in London and Wales later moving to Surrey in 1988, and arriving in Cuddington in 2013.



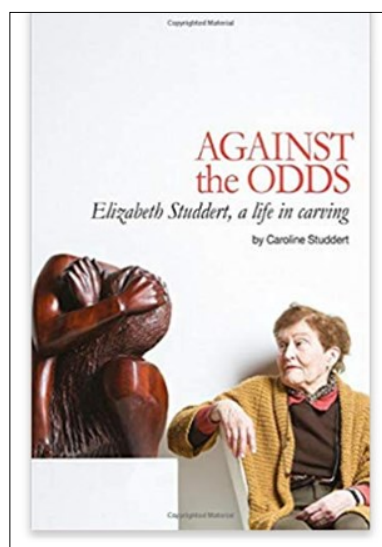
She walked everyday around the village and was always keen to say hello to any dogs she met. She was a member of the Sunshine Club and the Tuesday Group and was spotted at the Jubilee tea just the day before she was taken into hospital. She has recently exhibited with both Oxford Sculpture Group and Bicester Sculpture Group, at Greys Court and Kiftsgate Court as well as Turn End in Haddenham and also at Magdalen School as part of the Oxford Music Festival.

2019 saw the publication of a book about her life and work entitled 'Against the Odds' by Caroline

Studdert, published by Matador which explains her early life in Waterford, Ireland and the hurdles she had to overcome in her career.

She leaves behind her two sons and their families – Martin and Sarah who live in Cuddington and six grandchildren of whom Lydia, Isabel and Charlie were brought up in the village.

Sarah Dyckhoff



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Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan

Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan Is Made Adopted)

Cuddington Parish Council is pleased to be informed that Steve Bambrick, Director of Planning and the Environment, Buckinghamshire Council, has used his delegated powers to formally Make (adopt) the Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan as part of the Development Plan for the Cuddington area.

[Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan Decision Statement for the 'making' of the Plan](#)

[Decision - To Make the Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan](#)
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Aylesbury Choral Society

On Saturday 15th October, Aylesbury Choral Society will hold a Come-and-Sing day at the Church on Fairford Leys from 10am to 5pm to rehearse choruses from Haydn's popular oratorio "Creation".

Singers from all voices are invited to attend what promises to be a very enjoyable day. There will be a 1 hour lunch break. Morning refreshments will be provided by the church for a small charge. Tea/coffee and cake at lunch time and in the afternoon break are included, plus the loan of a score, in the admission price - £12 for choir members and £15 for guests. The Society also welcomes new singers. All details are on the website at www.aylesburychoral.org.uk



The Crown, Cuddington

Monday 17th October
at 7:30pm

Friends, rivals, societies
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(£2 per person)

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our village magazine

Community Event Dog Show



Thanks to everyone who brought their pooches along for the dog show. Also a huge thanks to Love of Paws who generously sponsored it for the second year in a row. We had a really good turn out, particularly considering not only the Queen's sad passing, but also the current economic climate.

With money raised, along with the proceeds from hook a duck and the bookstall, we have paid for a couple of issues of Village Voice, including this one!

The main classes were expertly judged by local builder Roy Goodchild and 'Best in Show' was once again, presided over by the wonderful Sherry Scott. Mike was also brilliant as 'Mike the mic' commentating throughout.

Best in Show was an extremely difficult class to judge as there was such a large variety of breeds and types. Sherry thoroughly inspected all the dogs' movement and temperaments and in the end, it came down to the Akita called Frank (above) and the young border terrier Bramble (right), well handled by 11 year old Archie from Lower Green.

It felt like we were watching Crufts as we all held our breath while Sherry decided. Then after much

consideration, she pointed to the Akita giving Frank and his owner Sarah Whaley the accolade of Cuddington's Best in Show 2022.

Archie and Bramble did very well to be given Reserve best in Show. Well done everyone.



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The editorial team wish to thank everybody – whether individuals or organisations - who has donated to our fund, enabling us to continue publishing.

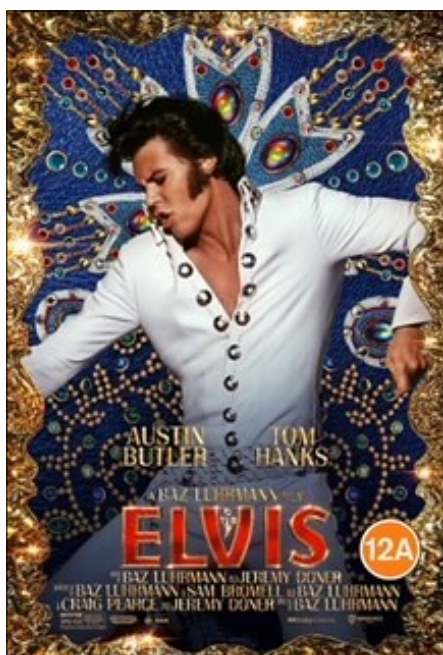
We also welcome our new printers, Printworld and a number of new editorial *staffers* who will be putting their personal touch to our magazine very soon.



Our autumn schedule at the Village Picture House continues on Thursday 6th October with the National Theatre's new comedy **Jack Absolute Flies Again** (cert. 15). It's a rollicking new comedy based on Richard Brinsley Sheridan's *The Rivals* and featuring a cast including Caroline Quentin, Laurie Davidson, Natalie Simpson and Kelvin Fletcher. After an aerial dog fight, Pilot Officer Jack Absolute flies home to win the heart of his old flame, Lydia Languish. Back on British soil, Jack's advances soon turn to anarchy when the young heiress demands to be loved on her own, very particular, terms. "The perfect comedy antidote for our wobbly age," says *The Express*. "An uproarious mix of satire, filth, pastiche, wartime derring-do and romance," says the *Evening Standard*. "A joyous romp ... the National has a comic hit on its hands," says *The Times*.

Then on 13th October we'll be screening **The Outfit** (cert. 15). Mark Rylance plays Leonard, a master English tailor in a corner tailor shop in Chicago, where he makes beautiful clothes for the only people around who can afford them: a family of vicious gangsters. One night, two killers knock on his door in need of a favour – and Leonard is thrust onto the board in a deadly game of deception and murder... "A hem! Mark Rylance cuts it brilliantly in this seamless whodunit," says *The Telegraph*. "Mark Rylance gives an extraordinary performance in this gangster thriller," says the *Evening Standard*. "Like a well-made suit, *The Outfit* is not old-fashioned – it's classic. If you think you know what's coming, right up until the final seconds, you're probably wrong," says *Empire*.

On 20th October our film will be the highly-acclaimed **Elvis** (cert. 12A). From his childhood in Tupelo, Mississippi to his rise to stardom starting in Memphis, Tennessee and his conquering of Las Vegas, Elvis Presley became the first rock 'n' roll star and changed the world with his music. The film explores the life and music of the superstar, seen through the prism of his complicated relationship with his enigmatic manager, Colonel Tom Parker.



THE VILLAGE PICTURE HOUSE NEWS

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"With electrifying performances from Austin Butler as Elvis and Tom Hanks as Colonel Parker, Baz Luhrmann's whirlwind biopic is cinematic dynamite," says *The Guardian*. "Austin Butler makes a seductive Elvis in this bright and splashy biopic, while Tom Hanks is hugely entertaining as his questionable manager," says *The Telegraph*.

On 27th October we have a special family screening for half-term week: **The Railway Children Return** (cert. PG),

starting at the earlier time of 7.00 pm. It's 1944, and as life in Britain's cities becomes increasingly perilous, three evacuee children are sent to the Yorkshire village of Oakworth. There to meet them on the train station platform are Bobbie Waterbury (Jenny Agutter, reprising her iconic role in the original film) and her daughter Annie (Sheridan Smith). The evacuees soon



settle into their new life in the countryside, but when they discover an injured American soldier hiding out in the railyard at Oakworth Station, they are thrust into a dangerous quest to assist their new friend who, like them, is a long way from home. "A delightful dose of nostalgia ... the railway children are back and they haven't changed a bit," says *The Times*. "An amiable and ingenious tribute to the innocent, good-natured spirit of the original," says *The Guardian*.

Looking ahead to November, on the 3rd we'll be screening National Theatre Live's **The Seagull**. Emilia Clarke (*Game of Thrones*) makes her West End debut in this 21st century retelling of Anton Chekhov's tale of love and loneliness. On the 10th we'll be showing **Top Gun: Maverick**, in which the once brash and irresponsible flyboy turned experienced test pilot (Tom Hanks) becomes an instructor at the US Navy's Top Gun flying school. On the 17th our film will be **Good Luck To You, Leo Grande** starring Emma Thompson as a retired schoolteacher and widow who is yearning for some adventure, some human connection and some good sex. Then on 24th November we'll be screening **Where the Crawdads Sing**, a coming-of-age murder mystery starring Daisy Edgar-Jones (*Normal People*) and based on the best-selling 2018 novel by Delia Owens.

Visit the web page for more details of all features:
www.cuddingtonvillage.com/cinema

Dates for your Diary



"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers",
L M Montgomery (1874-1942)

October

Monday 3 rd , 2.00pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Wednesday 5 th , 8.00pm	Bookworms Book Club at Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 6 th , 7.00pm	NtLive 'Jack Absolute Flies Again', Village Picture House
Tuesday 11 th , 2.30pm	Tuesday Group, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 13 th , 8.00pm	'The Outfit', Village Picture House
Monday 17 th 7:30pm	Village Voice Pub Quiz, The Crown
Tuesday 18 th , 9.30am	Sunshine Club outing to Evesham
Thursday 20 th , 8.00pm	'Elvis', Village Picture House
Saturday 22 nd , 10.30am	Sunshine Club: Pre Christmas Bring & Buy, Bernard Hall
Tuesday 25 th , 7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting, Bernard Hall
Thursday 27 th , 7.00pm	'The Railway Children Return', Village Picture House

November

Thursday 3 rd , 7.00pm	NtLive 'The SeaGull', Village Picture House
Monday 7 th , 2.00pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Wednesday 9 th , 8.00pm	Bookworms Book Club at Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 10 th , 8.00pm	'Top Gun: Maverick', Village Picture House
Thursday 17 th , 8.00pm	'Good Luck to You, Leo Grande' Village Picture House
Monday 21 st , 1.30pm	Sunshine Club Cinema, Bernard Hall, 'Military Wives'
Thursday 24 th , 8.00pm	'Where the Crawdads Sing', Village Picture House
Tuesday 29 th , 7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting, Bernard Hall

And every Friday, at 10.00am, also in termtime, Toddlers Singing Group takes place in St Nicholas Church. Everyone is welcome.

For more details please contact Christine (christine.jackson@live.co.uk)

For more information please refer to the village website –

www.cuddingtonvillage.com

Cuddington Matinee Cinema



On Monday 21st November at 1.30pm (doors open 1pm) in the Bernard Hall, "Military Wives" will be shown.



This 2019 comedy- drama, was inspired by the true story of Military Wives Choirs, a network of 75 choirs in British military bases across the UK and overseas. Starring Kristin Scott Thomas and Sharon Horgan, this feel-good film follows a group of women, whose partners are serving in Afghanistan, who, on the home front, form a choir and quickly find themselves at the centre of a media sensation and global movement.

Entry £7, (£5 Sunshine Club members) includes tea and cake at the interval.

Sunshine Club Evesham Outing Tuesday 18th October



Everyone is welcome to join us on this scenic round trip to the Vale of Evesham, stopping off at Moreton-in-Marsh for coffee and the popular market, then on to Evesham Country Park for lunch and shopping.

The coach departs Cuddington Upper Green at 9.30am, aiming to arrive home around 5pm. Cost for non members of Sunshine Club - £15 (coach only). To book, phone Thelma Parry, 01844 291 075. A £10 cash deposit is payable to Thelma (36, Bernard Close) by Monday 10th October.



NEW DATE 2nd OCTOBER

The show will open for the general public at 11.00, and close at 17.00.

Entry and parking are free of charge.

In addition to a wide selection of classic and vintage vehicles, visitors will also be able to enjoy a flypast courtesy of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight and visit arts & craft stalls. There will also be entertainments for youngsters, a programme of live music and a wide

range of food and drinks available.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChearsleyClassicFunday/>

Following the Queen's funeral the Quiz raising money for the

News from the pub!

Village Voice was postponed and will be running on Monday 17 October. Please get in touch to book in your team.

Also in October we are launching two new offers:

Make Thursday Date night – 2 mains and a bottle of house wine £35 (*£5 supplement for Ribeye steak)

Something for the Family – we are extending our Kids Eat Free offer and on Saturday evening you can get 1 free kids meal from the kids menu when buying an standard sized meal from our Main Meals section of the menu. Finally after the success of our recent trial of extending our Sunday lunchtime service we will be serving Sunday lunches from 12-4 pm, with the last order at 3.45pm. We would advise booking in advance.

Not THAT again!

Apologies but it's about dog poo!

It is clear, from several people working and walking on the Playing Field, that there are a number of dog owners who are allowing their dogs to foul the ground and then not picking-up. It may be through not paying attention to what their dog is doing or just plain idleness.

The Council Tax payers in Cuddington pay a considerable amount in providing free poo bags and paying for them to be emptied weekly.

In any event, this disgusting situation is totally unacceptable, particularly in an area designated for recreation where children and adults play.

The PC would ask anyone seeing owners not responding to their dogs pooing to take the owner to task and point out the need to pick up.

The answer could be a simple one. The PC will review the situation within 3 months and if there is no improvement it will discuss the issue of banning **all** dogs from the Playing Field. This would be a great shame for those responsible owners but they need to help in sorting out the problem.

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We have heard lots about the extensive travels of the Late Queen Elizabeth. There are still some tea towels available at the shop, listing all the countries that she visited in her lifetime.

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Grants for 2022

1. Any student living in Cuddington and planning to go into post education at University or College or an Apprenticeship, you can apply for a grant to help with expenses. Your applications for grants in 2022 must be sent to me by 20th October and NOT the 31st as printed in the last VV (apologies - my mistake).

2. The Trustees look forward to receiving your applications which must be written by the applicants and not their parents! For any information also contact me : Jennifer Schram de Jong on Tel: 01844 291501.

My address is Larden, Spicketts Lane, Cuddington HP18 0AY.

With best wishes Jennifer Schram de Jong

What a great few weeks we have had settling back into school!

It has been wonderful to welcome all the children back and start to get to know the new pupils.

They have all settled in so well and the other children have made them very welcome.

The children looked so smart in their uniforms, new shoes and smart haircuts!

We also welcomed parents into school for the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions.

We will be offering Open days for Parents of Foundation children starting in September 2023.

Dates are: 2nd November 9.30am, 11th 1.30pm and 21st 9.30am

The children have been very interested in the period of mourning for the Queen.

In Collective Worship on both sites, we have spoken to the children about the death of the Queen. We have discussed her role as a monarch and her dedication and service to the people of Great Britain and the Commonwealth. Part of the conversation was about her role as a mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother and obviously about having tea with Paddington Bear!

The children were very thoughtful and understood the idea of the period of mourning.

We lit a candle and shared a prayer.

Coming up, we will be holding our whole school Harvest Festival service in church on Thursday 6th October. All non-perishable produce will be going, together with that donated at the Sunday service, to the Vineyard in Aylesbury.

Finally, we have our Annual October bags to School on Tuesday 11th October. We would love it if parishioners took part as well! So, if your house is in need of a bit of a sort out come to school and ask for a bag(s); please fill the bags with unwanted clothing, shoes, handbags, belts, hats and soft toys. Filled collection bags should be returned to the school on Tuesday 11th October by 9:00 am and placed in front of the staff room window behind the wall in front of the school opposite the church.

Kim Price, Headmistress



Poppy Appeal

Remembrance Sunday 13th November

The Poppy appeal will begin on 27th October until 11th November.

Poppies will be sold around the village during this time, and possibly earlier.

I know times are hard but please try and give generously.

Jennifer Schram de Jong,
PAO area EBA 34