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## Exciting developments at Kings Langley School

Students Henry, Fatima, Scarlett, James and George, plus Simon Wood (Governor), Frances Stickley (Chair of Governors), and David Fisher (Headteacher) at the Spade in the Ground ceremony.

The development of a new Sixth Form Centre at Kings Langley School has got underway, as applications open for the first intake of students who will benefit from the facilities.

The piling works and foundation structure are now complete and the building is beginning to emerge above ground, with current Year 11 and 12 students eagerly monitoring the progress.

Due to open from September this year, it will provide working space and refreshment facilities independently from the rest of the school. Prospective sixth formers looking to attend the school can apply via the school website at [www.kls.herts.sch.uk/sixth-form](http://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/sixth-form) or arrange a visit.

Elsewhere, the school's 3G football pitch planning application is currently being considered by

Dacorum Borough Council and the school has once again asked the community to get behind their fundraising efforts.

It is anticipated that the proposed pitch will not only enhance the facilities for its students but will also prove an asset to the local community. As part of the grant application to the Football Foundation, KLS must demonstrate their local community's support and raise some funds towards the project.

To donate, please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/KingsLangleySchool3GFootballPitch>

## Voting ID reminder!

Photo ID is now required to vote in the Local Elections on 4 May.

The change, which is being introduced nationally, will require voters to show a photo driving licence or current passport, but a bus pass or expired passport will also be accepted if the photo still shows a likeness.

Alternatively, residents can apply online for voter ID at [www.gov.uk/apply-forphoto-id-voter-authority-certificate](http://www.gov.uk/apply-forphoto-id-voter-authority-certificate)

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## John Bailey 1928 – 2023

John Bailey, a familiar and well-loved figure in the village, has died.

He was a well known face around the village either walking with his wife Evelyn or cycling on his electric bike. He always had a smile on his face, a twinkle in his eye and time for a chat, particularly about his other passions – perfume and roses.

John established his niche English perfumery and consultancy (The Perfume Guild) in 1981 following an international career in fragrance working in London, Paris, Geneva and Grasse. He continued working throughout his life with an enviable portfolio of commissions and assignments in the UK and overseas.

He gave talks on both his favourite subjects and, as an avid rose grower, exhibited widely including Chelsea and Hampton Court Flower Shows. (He kindly donated some fragrant Gertrude Jekyll roses to our Village Garden.) Perhaps less well-known was his love of jazz, and he could be found enjoying the music at the Services Club every Tuesday night.

His good humour and sunny disposition will be sorely missed, the more so as his beloved roses start to bloom.

John's youngest daughter, Jo, told the *Village News* 'We would love as many friends as possible to join us for a celebration of his life on 23 March, 2pm, at West Herts Crematorium and afterwards at Dad's favourite jazz club in the village High Street. Dress code... definitely a good splash of pink!

'We would love it if you have any photos, memories or special stories about John that you would like to share with us'. Please send them to [alexbaileystaines@gmail.com](mailto:alexbaileystaines@gmail.com)

## Cubs swimming success

1st Kings Langley Cubs made a splash for the second year running by triumphing at the annual District Cub and Scout swimming gala.

The team of four came second overall in a night of competitions attended by Cubs and Scouts from across the borough.

Phil McLachlan, Cub Scout Leader, said 'The boys swam their hearts out at the gala and, once again, did themselves – and all of us – very proud. They were up against larger teams, too, so really had to dig deep for every bit of energy. Huge congratulations to all four of them.'

*Below: The triumphant 1st Kings Langley Cubs proudly display their Runners-Up trophy*



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# Next Level dream for homecook Gold

Kings Langley has a new TV star in its midst in the shape of Ian 'Gold' Golding, who proved an outstanding contestant on ITV's Gordon Ramsay-fronted show *Next Level Chef*.

A keen home chef Gold, 51, applied for the show after seeing an advert on Facebook, and made it into the semi-final cooking against ex-professional and social media chefs.

The premise of the show saw contestants prove they could thrive in any environment, with three unique kitchen spaces set over three storeys and almost 50ft high. On the top floor was a state of the art kitchen with all the latest gadgets, in the basement was a basic cooking space filled with bent spoons and old-fashioned equipment, while in the middle was a standard catering kitchen.

Appearing on the show is the



culmination of a long-held dream of Gold. 'I must have applied to be on Masterchef six or seven times but never got a response,' he said. 'I applied for Next Level Chef, thinking nothing of it, and then the process rolled on and I got on the show.'

Thankfully nerves were not a big problem for Gold, who for the past 17 years has run his confidence training business, Glow Training. He said 'I teach people how to cope with the pressure of doing presentations to big audiences or dealing with nasty bosses or difficult clients so, I'm not going to lie, that really helped.'

But while many people would be intimidated in the presence of notoriously uninhibited chef Gordon Ramsay, as well as the two co-hosts Paul Ainsworth and Nyesha Arrington, Gold instead drank up the advice on offer.

'Gordon Ramsay is the most competitive person I've ever met, by a country mile, and all of that persona you see on television – the shouting

and swearing and anger – is borne out of that competitiveness and his drive to win. But it's all completely genuine – which is why he has three Michelin stars!

'As a little home cook from Hertfordshire to get hands-on direction and mentorship from Gordon Ramsay for two and a half weeks was outstanding.'

The series was filmed in London, concluding at the end of last year. And now it's over, Gold has started to turn his hobby into an income stream by offering private dining experiences, cooking in people's homes.

'I've cooked for a couple celebrating a birthday,' he said, 'as well as a party for 15 locally. I've had dozens of inquiries so it's a growing local business. I'm currently just seeing what comes from the experience and exposure of the show.'

And Gold, who lists the Alford Arms and Marchmont Arms as two favourite local eateries, hasn't ruled out opening his own restaurant in the area.

'I've always had a little dream of opening my own place,' he said. 'When the old Eagle pub was up for sale I was talking to some investors to try and buy it but for one reason or another it didn't happen.'

'At the moment I'm looking for some venues to host pop up restaurants so I can test the water and try out some menus. Maybe in the future that will become something bigger.'

For more information about Gold's private chef offering visit [www.goldcooks.com](http://www.goldcooks.com) or follow him on Instagram [@goldthecook](https://www.instagram.com/goldthecook)

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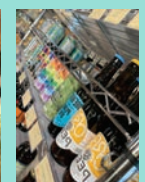
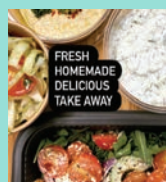
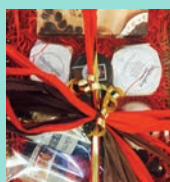
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## Evergreen Club is back with a bang

The Kings Langley Evergreen Club is back, and saw a bumper number of people attending their first meeting of 2023 as members caught up with old friends after a long absence.

This year's diary is filling up fast, with live bands, singing groups, a Coronation special, outings and parties all planned.

For information about joining the club please contact Ann on 01923 267604 or [anniedirectchoreo@hotmail.com](mailto:anniedirectchoreo@hotmail.com)

## Cricket Club builds towards the 2023 season

Kings Langley Cricket Club has elected a Head of Senior Cricket with the ambition of each team finishing in the top three of their respective leagues.

Andy Felton was appointed to the newly-created position at the club's AGM in January, and will be charged with improving the way all senior players train, overseeing the development of new players, and overall responsibility for selection.

It is hoped that a more structured approach, along with the recruitment of several new players, will pay dividends.

Last season both the first and second XI's finished fourth in their respective leagues – just outside the promotion places – and the third XI finished fifth, so all the teams are looking for improvement in 2023.

The AGM also saw the appointment of captains and vice-captains. The first XI will be led by Tom Sambrook (Captain) and Ben Joyce (Vice-Captain), the second XI by Tom Warrell, who will

be supported by Andy Felton, and the third XI by Jamie Calvin and Danny Knights as Co-Captains.

The club is especially proud that three of the Leadership Group are products of the Club's youth section, while a fourth started playing cricket as an adult at KLCC.

Winter nets have already started, taking place at Parmiter's school on Thursday evening between 8 – 9pm. Anyone who would like to be involved should email [tom.templeton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tom.templeton@yahoo.co.uk) or call him on 07788 971464.



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Schools wanted

## to join an international litter pick

An initiative that encourages communities to collect litter to improve their surroundings is being launched by a Kings Langley family after they saw the idea take off across the Atlantic.

Sarah Burgess and her family set up a not for profit called *Just1bag2020* three years ago while living in Boston, Massachusetts, and before long their family project had captured the imagination of more than 4,200 people from 45 different countries across every continent – including Antarctica.

Between them the supporters of the concept have collected more than 50,000 bags of rubbish from their immediate environment.

After moving back to the UK last summer Sarah, her husband Phil and children Poppy and Toby, are launching their next campaign: *#23in2023*.

They are looking for 23 schools from around the world to organise litter picks, proving that everyone can make a difference, starting at a young age. *#23in2023* would spotlight schools, inspiring the next generation to take care of their community and environment, and would be showcased on the initiative's website and social media pages.



Sarah said 'Now we're back in the UK we're keen to keep the ripple effect going and get more schools involved, locally and overseas. We've seen how much children love taking care of their environment and how impactful it can be to show them that people all over the world are doing the same. If 23 schools get 100 people involved that's 2,300 people making a big difference to their local community. We'd love to have local schools from Kings Langley and SW Herts get involved!'

Each school that registers to organise a *#just1bag2020* clean up will be included on the *#23in2023* website and profiled on its social media pages. They will also be offered support with motivational videos, posters and suggestions for their clean up, and each school will be given a number so they know they're part of something bigger.

Any local schools interested in getting involved should email [just1bag2020@gmail.com](mailto:just1bag2020@gmail.com) Alternatively visit [www.just1bag.us](http://www.just1bag.us) or [facebook.com/just1bag2020](https://www.facebook.com/just1bag2020) for more details.

## Christian Aid Quiz returns

After a lockdown-enforced break, Christian Aid returned to the Services Club for their annual quiz in February. Thirteen teams representing a wide cross section of the community came together to raise a magnificent total of £940 for the charity, with the Good Neighbours team triumphing.

The organisers extended their thanks to the Services Club for donating their facilities, with thanks, too, to The Grove, Taylor's Tools and The Langley Butcher, among others, for their raffle donations.

All the funds raised will go to Christian Aid's work with partners on the ground in the poorest parts of our world including Turkey and Syria. Donations can be made at <https://tinyurl.com/QuakeCAID>



## Rotary Sleigh proves resounding success

Residents dug deep in response to the annual tour of the Rotary Santa Sleigh, raising over £17,000 in the run up to Christmas. A presentation evening at Leverstock Green Cricket Club was held last month where donations were made to the 25 charities that assisted with the street-to-street collections.

Thanks to the generosity of local people, charities including Kings Langley FC, Sunnyside Rural Trust and Waterways Experiences received £350 each.

## HERTFORDSHIRE – the



With the continued expansion of existing facilities and the major plans for an increasing number of new studios under development, our county looks set to become a hub for the whole of the UK's internationally-acclaimed creative media film industry.

We have already seen the growth of Warner Bros. Studios in Leavesden since its initial opening in 1994. Starting with *James Bond: Golden Eye*, it has become our local centre for filming, including the most successful series of all time – all eight of the *Harry Potter™* films were shot at the studio. The complex also boasts one of the largest heated underwater filming tanks in Europe.

With around 60% of the people working at the Studios living in the local area, the company has a strong sense of community. It partners with a wide network of local charities, schools and non-profit organisations and has an award-winning education programme. It supports several scholarships, apprenticeship programmes and placements, and has established good working relationships with local schools and universities.

The studio supports with fundraising, volunteering, sponsorship, skills-sharing and donations. There is also a bespoke nursery facility, *The WonderWorks*, providing accessible, affordable and flexible childcare services. It opened in 2020 and is the first dedicated on-site childcare facility at any UK studio. To make sure the local community enjoys the benefits, places are also made available for local children.

Now there are major new developments underway in Waltham Cross and Elstree whilst both Bovingdon and Langleybury Studios are extending their sites.

The largest new complex, Sunset Studios, will occupy about 46 acres in Waltham Cross, with construction beginning this

year. With the aim of opening in 2025, it's anticipated it will contribute £300m annually to the local economy and could create up to 4,500 jobs,

Sky has announced its intention to invest in a new 32-acre, state-of-the-art TV and film studio at Elstree, and is forecasting the creation of over 2,000 new jobs as well as helping to fuel the local economy.

Elstree Studios, synonymous with filmmaking for the best part of the last century, has long been home to BBC's *Strictly Come Dancing* which has been filmed there since 2013. Two new soundstages have recently been completed, seeing the culmination of a multi-million pound investment in the

studio's future. With production space in such high demand, the Platinum Stages, named in honour of Her Majesty the Queen's jubilee year, will attract new studio business and bigger projects to the county, supporting local jobs and the vast network of SMEs that form the supply chain to the sector.

*Dancing on Ice* has been one of ITV's leading light entertainment shows, filmed on a specially constructed rink at Bovingdon. Many other ITV and BBC productions are also filmed there, including *The Masked Singer*, *Midsomer Murders* and Michael McIntyre's *The Wheel*. The movies *Bohemian Rhapsody*, *Justice League*, and *James Bond: Spectre* were also filmed at Bovingdon Studios.

As one of the few vacant, period manor houses available for film use, Langleybury Mansion has hosted well in excess of 100 different productions and Langleybury Studios is set to expand its current activities by adding a further sound stage. The scheme will include the enlargement of the area of parkland available for public access, with a useable and joined-up public footpath and cycle network.

Hertfordshire certainly has an exciting film industry future – it's in the stars!

## Local talent

Actor Will Kemp originates from Kings Langley and has made a successful career in TV and film.

A Royal Ballet School-trained dancer, having spent over a decade with the acclaimed choreographer Matthew Bourne's award-winning New Adventures, he transitioned into the world of movies in 2001 working with Christian Slater, Val Kilmer and fellow brit Jonny Lee Miller in Renny Harlin's *Mindhunters*. He followed up with Universal Pictures' *Van Helsing* opposite Hugh Jackman and Kate Beckinsale.

'I moved with my family to live in LA for five years to get established in the US and Canadian Film and



PHOTO: FRANK MASI

TV industry' he said, 'but, with the emergence of so many new facilities in Hertfordshire, it's great to see the industry blossoming locally here too.'

Having appeared in many TV and big screen productions, he has recently completed a five-month shoot in Budapest for a new Disney+ series and is currently in Malta, executive producing and starring in a Hallmark Movies & Mysteries film *The Dancing Detective: A Deadly Tango*, which he also co-created.

One of Will Kemp's roles was the role of the Man, in the blockbuster

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You can keep up with Will on Twitter and Instagram @IamWillKemp

# The new Hollywood?

Have you ever wondered what the little prescient signs, springing up more and more in and around our village, are for?

Attached to lampposts, hedgerows and roadsides, they guide film casts and crews to the increasing number of filming locations underway in Hertfordshire.

Our own village has played location host to many productions, including *Marriage* with Sean Bean and Nicola Walker. Their house was on Toms Lane, her father's house was on Havelock Road, and a house on Coniston Road was also visited. Hemel Old Town and North Watford Cemetery could also be spotted, as well as Apsley railway station.

The drama *The Walk In*, starring Stephen Graham, was filmed outside Kings Langley Library and in the Services Club, and the Oscar-nominated *Living* filmed its funeral scene at All Saints.

The former Steiner School has been the base for a number of film projects, and interior pub scenes for *Grantchester* have been filmed at The Windmill, Chipperfield.

Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks' forthcoming WW2 movie *Boys of the Air* has sequences filmed in Hemel Hempstead's Old Town, which has previously been the setting for Ricky Gervais' *After Life*, as well as scenes for *Leaves of Grass* and *Grantchester*.



PHOTO: MICHAIL KALININ

My earliest breaks was as Prince Velkan/Wolf in *Stephen Sommers' Van Helsing*.

It is to see that the old school, which I attended from the age of 16 in Kings Langley, has come to good use by the village, he told us. 'It was a place where art and creativity were encouraged and it's wonderful to see it flourishing there again. The old gym, refectory and hall can afford excellent spaces for lighting and a good-sized crew. Maybe one day I'll get to use it too!'

Keep up to date with the local Will Kemp on his Facebook and Instagram *Will Kemp*



Artist's visuals of the Sunset Studio development at Waltham Cross and, far left, of the new Sky Studios, Elstree



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## Remembering lost mums on Mother's Day

A Mothering Sunday event with a difference is being run by a Kings Langley resident for those who are grieving their mothers.

The Mother's Day Grief Circle, which will acknowledge the mothers that are no longer here, is being run by Nicola Duffell, a Heart, Mind & Body coach, on Monday 20 March.

Nicola, who lost her own mother 16 years ago, said 'Anniversaries, birthdays and significant dates can often be a catalyst for grief. Mother's Day is one of those for me.'

'Honouring these dates, doing something that signifies the importance of the people we loved – and still love – can be so supportive on the grief journey.'



The evening event, which takes place at SouLand Yoga, Aldenham, will encourage people to acknowledge their grief.

Nicola added 'For so long we have pushed it aside, not quite known what to do with it. An important part of tending to our grief is in coming together, so you know you are not alone. I will share some words and wisdom on grief, there will be a chance to share if that feels right for you and we'll finish with a meditation.'

For more information see <https://bookwhen.com/souland#focus=ev-s9vs-20230320190000>

## Community Awards seek worthy winners

An awards ceremony that celebrates exceptional people and initiatives in Kings Langley is returning in April.

The Community Awards are run by the Parish Council and the winners for 2023 will be announced at the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 19 April. The award is made to those who have made an exceptional and valuable contribution to the village in the last year or over many years.

The categories for the award are *Improving Lives of Residents, Action in the Community, Cleaner and Greener Action, Work with Young Persons* and *Business in the Community*. The *Environmental Innovation Award* is also back for a second year.

Every nomination must have a seconder and nominees should not have received this award in the previous six years. To put someone forward for an award, download a nomination form from [kingslangley-pc.gov.uk/community-award](https://kingslangley-pc.gov.uk/community-award)

## Organic allotments available to rent

Gardeners who are passionate about organic horticulture are being called upon to take up an allotment spot in the village.

The site off Chipperfield Road is one of just a handful of biodynamic allotments in England, which means they are maintained through organic gardening practices including using a calendar to help understand planting and harvesting, working in harmony with nature and avoiding non-organic fertilisers and slug pellets that might disturb with the natural chemical balance of the soil.

Spring is considered the perfect time of year to get an allotment underway. Anyone interested in renting a plot should get in touch with Andrew on 07836 544291, email [kingslangleybd@gmail.com](mailto:kingslangleybd@gmail.com) or visit [www.kingslangleybiodynamics.co.uk](http://www.kingslangleybiodynamics.co.uk) where they will also find a series of videos introducing biodynamic gardening.

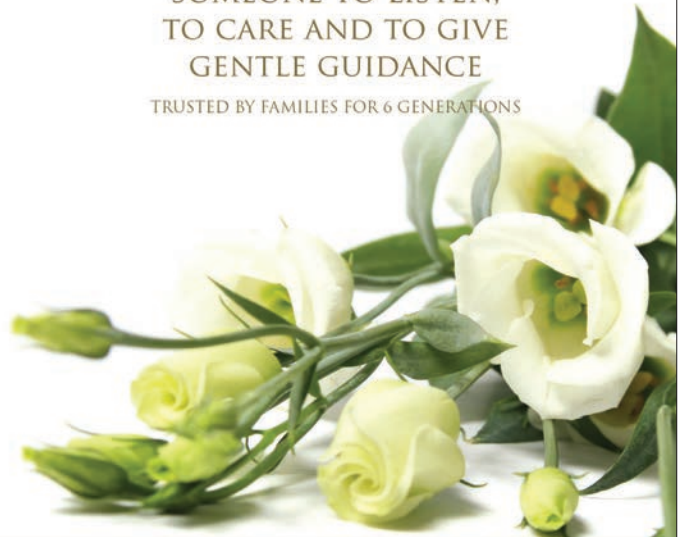
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## View from a Good Neighbours volunteer...

Charles Raine recently moved to Kings Langley to start a new job and a new life (no, this isn't a Bridget Jones novel). Partial to a night-time stroll, he got to know the village by walking around.

He told *Village News* 'One evening I came across a flyer asking for volunteer drivers for Good Neighbours. I thought, I have four wheels and a hole in my soul that needs filling. What have I got to lose? Filled with vim and vigour from the 'Uncle Sam'-esque poster, I gave them a call. After a short vetting process, I was armed with a shiny volunteer card and ready to start.

'After four months of occasionally squeezing senior citizens into my Mini – think human Tetris meets Twister – and taking them to, usually, the hospital or the doctor, I can safely say that I have found a mother lode of human accomplishment, not to mention decency and good humour.

'Many of them have lived in Kings Langley for 50 years. The conversations vary from the true originator of the works of Shakespeare (hint: Sir Francis Bacon), to the chewiest chocolate chip cookie recipe (the key is cornstarch, melted butter and brown sugar). The consistent theme with everyone is they are an absolute pleasure to talk to and genuinely grateful for the service.

'My job involves an unusual shift pattern which means my availability varies, but flexibility is the name of the game when it comes to Good Neighbours. There is no expectation or undue pressure; you simply do the drives you can. It can fit around

anyone's schedule. You receive a text, you respond to a text. It's that simple.

'For a very small amount of time out of your day, you can take some of the stress out of someone's hospital visit (which can be stressful enough) and find some fulfilment and satisfaction in helping to make someone's life run a little smoother and easier.

'The good people I have driven in my spare time have enriched my life and made me feel a part of the village. Just give Kings Langley Good Neighbours a call on **07790 668672**. You'll be glad you did'.

*Above: Volunteer Charles enjoys a chat with local senior citizens over a cup of tea*

## New flagpole in memory of old friend

All Saints Church is proudly displaying a new flag on its tower after the family and friends of a late worshipper reinstated the flagpole in his honour.



The late Colin Hunt was remembered at a special dedication when Father James McDonald blessed the new flagpole and flags with holy water. The St George's Cross was raised for all to see on the flagpole's newly located, more visible position on the tower.

The original flagpole was installed to fly the Royal Standard – special permission was granted thanks to the presence of the royal tomb inside the church. This Standard is now housed inside the church close to the royal tomb. The St George's Cross will fly continuously apart from special days when it will be changed to the Union Flag in line with the flags being flown from Government buildings.

Keith Gower, deputy church warden at All Saints who led the project, said 'We're proud to have reinstated the flagpole for the village and we encourage everybody to come and see it as well as the original royal standard. The church is open daily 9.30am – 5pm.'



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## Road safety a priority for Parish Council

A long-awaited crossing spot is being installed in the village to help school children and their parents get to and from school safely.

The School Crossing Patrol – once known as a lollipop person – will be in place on the Hempstead Road, just north of Rectory Lane. There will also be displayed two flashing amber lights, a horizontal sign above saying 'school', and a pictorial illustration above that of children crossing on both approaches.

Meanwhile, at the other end of the village, a Speed Indication Device will be installed on the southbound carriageway of Watford Road. There is already one on the northbound carriageway.

Both initiatives were in response to concerns from residents and the Parish Council was happy to support both schemes. The County Council was also quick to agree to both ideas.

Councillor Alan Johnson said 'The Hempstead Road scheme fits with our desire to reduce parking around the school, including improving the accessibility of a footpath to the school from the Miller and Carter car park for drivers and pedestrians. I also understand sitting in your car with the engine idling produces more pollutants than a moving vehicle which is particularly unhealthy for our children and the environment.'

Councillor Ian Sinclair added 'The second scheme will make it safer for those trying to get to the train station or Wayside Farm, especially as accelerating vehicles make it difficult to assess when it is safe to cross. In addition, work has also improved the condition and white lining on the M25 roundabout this month.'



## Spring has sprung at the village library

The Community Library is laying on a busy schedule of events for all ages and interests this spring.

Families are invited to participate in the Easter Quiz for a chance to win a host of seasonal prizes, while from 20 March children can have a go at the Easter Library Hunt in which they must find clues to complete a special challenge. Prizes will be given to all who take part. Quiz packs are £1 and must be returned by 31 March.

Meanwhile keen crafters are invited to join the library's new *Knit and Natter* group which meets every Monday morning from 10am to 12pm. All crafts are welcome, and for a donation of £1 visitors will be treated to tea or coffee and biscuits.

Finally, two talks are being held in the coming weeks. The first, on 15 March, will be hosted by the Kings Langley Local History and Museum Society and delivered by member Adam Tuck, a village resident who participated in the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. He will be giving an insight into the ceremonies around the funeral and the role of Heraldry in Royal events.

On 5 April Chris Foster, a Camden Tour guide, will present *On the Beat in Hatton Garden*, in which he will share stories from his time as a Bobby on the beat fifty years ago in the iconic London jewellery district.

Tickets available from the library for £5 each, to include light refreshments. Both events start at 7.30pm

## Carnival set to be scene of World Record attempt

Organisers of this year's village Carnival are aiming to get Kings Langley into the record books with a World Record attempt at the event this June.

They have set themselves a challenge to have 500 or more people simultaneously dancing to the 70s classic *Oops Upside Your Head* and in doing so beat the current record of 406 people.

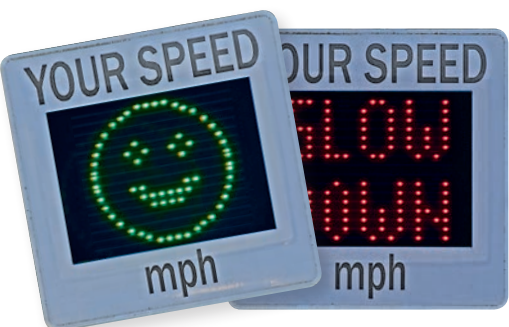
The attempt will be just one of the fun-filled activities on offer at the annual Carnival, alongside stalls, rides, the dogs show, choirs, dancers and school performers. There will also be an *Open Mic* slot for any brave souls keen to share their talents with the gathered crowds.

Carol Chandler, chairman of the Carnival Committee, said 'The Carnival is always a fun afternoon for everyone, but now there is the chance to put Kings Langley in the record books.'

Everyone is welcome to be part of the record attempt – even those with two left feet – as the dance consists of sitting down and letting your hands and arms do all the work.'

The Carnival will take place on Saturday 24 June on Kings Langley Common. Organisations, charities or businesses wanting to be part of the event should register their interest now. To apply for this year's *Open Mic* slot email [kingslangleycarnival@hotmail.com](mailto:kingslangleycarnival@hotmail.com) or try the Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/KingsLangleyCarnival](https://www.facebook.com/KingsLangleyCarnival)

To book a stall at this year's event, email [stalls-klcarnival@hotmail.com](mailto:stalls-klcarnival@hotmail.com) The Carnival also has a new website at [www.kingslangleycarnival.com](http://www.kingslangleycarnival.com)



*Lucky Lorene Preston won our previous Xword prize of two bottles of wine, kindly donated by Kings Langley Services Club. Lorene, a Good Neighbours and National Trust volunteer, said 'I always do the Xword but don't always submit it - I'm so glad I remembered this time!' Manager Clive Rose generously added a third bottle for good measure!*



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#### Answers to Crossword No: 30

**Across:** 1 Archer Close, 6 Station Road, 11 Moon, 12 Pate, 15 Palace Close, 19 Numbers Farm. **Down:** 1 Abyss, 2 Heft, 3 Redo, 4 Lair, 5 Elide, 7 Atoll, 8 Ionic, 9 NSPCC, 10 Outdo, 13 Spain, 14 Realm, 16 Arab, 17 Ever, 18 Leaf

## Prize Xword

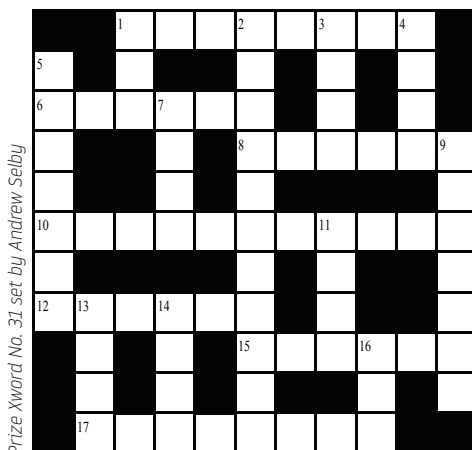
*The prize for the first correct entry for this issue is **Lunch for two at The Kitchen at Inspired.** To enter, simply post or email your crossword entry and contact details to us (see page 8) to arrive no later than Friday 14 April. Good luck!*

#### Across

- 1 Village road on the East of the Valley (4,4)
- 6 Flowering shrub of the honeysuckle family (6)
- 8 Is this Village road awake? (3,3)
- 10 This Village cul-de-sac is hidden within a sly selector! (6,5)
- 12 Hidden in clue, one can find the central, most important parts of an object! (6)
- 15 Old form of lighting (6)
- 17 The Village close, part found within an angle bead! (3,5)

#### Down

- 1 Pronoun (3)
- 2 Probably, it's a cat list remixed for this method of numerical analysis! (11)
- 3 Archaic word for malaria or illness with fever and shivering (4)
- 4 In short, this European organisation can be found in a chieftain? (4)
- 5 Broad revolving cylinder nautically used for winding up a rope or cable (7)
- 7 After the expected time (4)
- 9 Film about events prior to an earlier film (7)
- 11 Joined with 14 down, this road leads to the 'Magic' roundabout in Hemel (4)
- 13 A device or part with a specified function (4)
- 14 See 11 down (4)
- 16 Proper, appropriate (3)



Prize Xword No. 31 set by Andrew Selby

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## Library AGM

Kings Langley Community Library  
Wednesday 22 March at 2pm. All papers  
for the AGM are on display in the library  
to read in advance.

## Music

Chipperfield Choral Society performance  
of Handel's Messiah  
Barbirolli Hall, St Clement Dane's School  
Saturday 1 April 7pm Further information:  
[www.chipperfieldchoral.co.uk](http://www.chipperfieldchoral.co.uk)

Watford Philharmonic performance of  
Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle  
The Grand Hall, Bushey Arena, London Road,  
Bushey WD23 3AA  
Saturday 25 March 7.30pm.  
Tickets £20 under 19s £5.  
Box Office [www.watfordphilharmonic.co.uk](http://www.watfordphilharmonic.co.uk) Telephone 07843 192016

Chorleywood Choral Society performance of  
Fauré Requiem and other works  
St Mary The Virgin, Church Street,  
Riskmansworth WD3 1JB  
Saturday 25 March 7pm. Tickets £18 or  
on door £20. [www.ticketsource.co.uk/chorleywood-choral-society](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/chorleywood-choral-society)



Kings Langley Musical Theatre  
Company's production of *Hot Mikado*  
Is showing from 29 March – 1 April  
including a Saturday matinee. Tickets  
from [ticketsource.co.uk](http://ticketsource.co.uk), from the  
Box Office at [klmtc.org](http://klmtc.org) or by phone  
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## KINGS LANGLEY Village Diary LOCAL EVENTS

### Singing

Kings Langley Community Choir  
Christ Church Baptist, The Nap, WD4 8ET  
Music for all – Pop, Folk, International, etc.  
Every Tuesday evening 7.30pm – 9.00pm.  
For further information contact Pat on  
07714 701316. Also see Facebook and  
[www.kingslangleychoir.co.uk](http://www.kingslangleychoir.co.uk)

### Jazz

Kings Langley Jazz Club  
Kings Langley Services Club Theatre Bar  
5 High Street, Kings Langley WD4 8BJ  
Live Bands! Every Tuesday night 8.15pm.  
Free entry. Visitors welcome.  
See posters for details or telephone  
01923 262982

### Tiny Tots

All Saints Church Hall  
A stay and play group for 0 – 4 year olds.  
Every Wednesday in term time  
10.00am – 11.30am.  
£1.50 suggested donation.  
For more information email  
[allsaintstinytots@outlook.com](mailto:allsaintstinytots@outlook.com)

## Easter services at All Saints

19 March Mothering Sunday  
9.30am All Age service with flowers  
for mums

2 April Palm Sunday  
10am Hot cross buns and coffee  
at Dallings followed by 10.30am  
procession and All Age service  
5pm Stations of the Cross – music  
and readings for Holy Week

6 April Maundy Thursday  
8pm Eucharist

6 April Good Friday  
10am Family service followed by hot  
cross buns  
12noon the Liturgy of Good Friday

9 April Easter Sunday  
8am Service in the village garden  
followed by hot cross buns and coffee  
9.30am All Age service followed by  
Easter Egg hunt

**PROBUS** is a club for  
retired men meeting at  
Kings Langley Cricket Club  
every third Tuesday in the  
month at 10am, with a speaker  
and coffee.



Occasional excursions, dinners  
and other social events (including  
partners) are also arranged.

Future speakers and subjects in 2023  
21 March: 'England's Bread hangs by a  
Thread', Michael Hindley  
18 April: 'Air Miss', Jo Laurie  
16 May: 'Aerial Thrills and Spills at  
Northolt Airport', Colin Richards  
20 June: 'When is a Pound not a  
Pound', Jeff Llewellyn

Contact the secretary, John Addy,  
on 07477 900290 or 19jca41+v@  
gmail.com for further information.

### Local Produce Market

Village Garden, Church Lane.  
Food, crafts, books, cards, homemade  
cakes and refreshments and lots more.  
The Local Produce Market is held on the  
third Saturday of every month from  
9.00am – 1.00pm.

### Women's Institute

Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap.  
All welcome.  
Every second Tuesday monthly at  
7.30pm.  
For further information please  
contact Nova on 0787 661 4250 or  
Wendy on 01923 263348 or email  
[kingslangleywi@gmail.com](mailto:kingslangleywi@gmail.com)

### Short Mat Bowls

Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap.  
A friendly group who play all year round.  
New members welcome.  
Every Wednesday morning 11.15am. –  
1.15pm.  
£3.70 for members of Everyone Active,  
£4.70 for non-members (first time is  
free). All equipment supplied.

### Social

Kings Langley Evergreen Club  
Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap.  
A social club for residents aged over 60.  
Varied programme of events.  
Alternate Thursday afternoons from  
2.30pm – 4.00pm.  
Contact Ann Martin on 01923 267604 or  
email [anniedirectchoreo@hotmail.com](mailto:anniedirectchoreo@hotmail.com)

### Public Information

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