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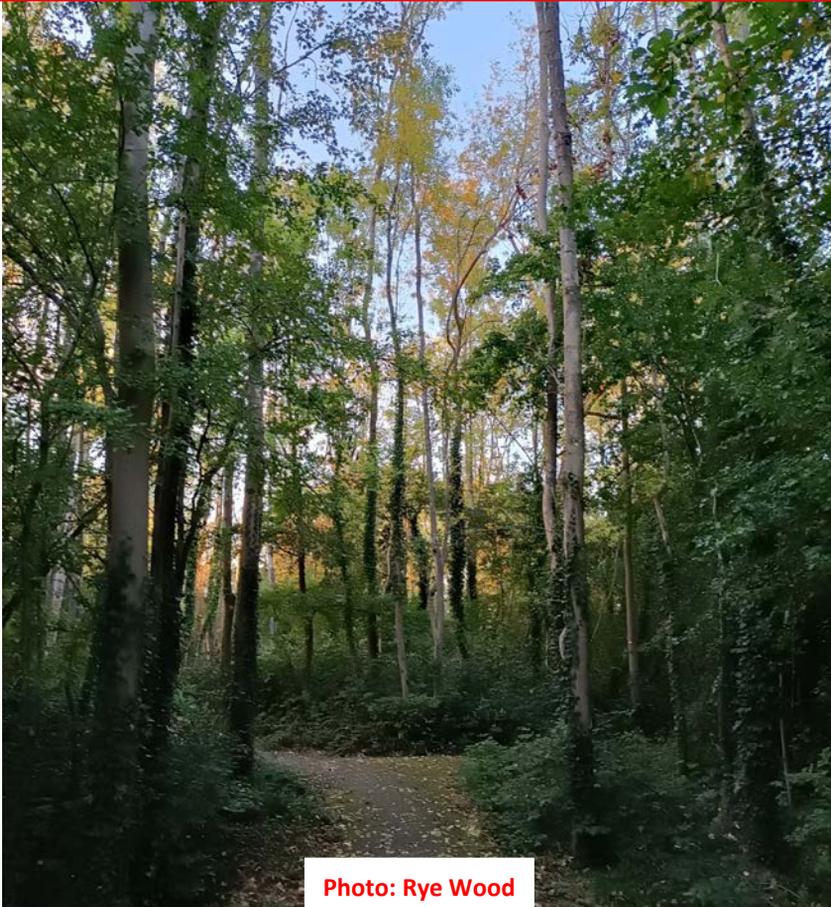


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Seasonal good wishes to our residents & businesses from everyone at
Dunton Green Parish Council

Enjoy the updates from this autumn, the Christmas events that are planned and
we hope you can make use of the information provided!



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Chair's Update

Welcome to our latest newsletter.

The storms of Autumn have arrived and it seems a distant memory, the summer when we had so little rain we still have a hosepipe ban! With all the water at the beginning of November, you just wouldn't believe it.



The Christmas stamps for this year will be the last with Queen Elizabeth II on them.



It has been a time of change for us all as we passed from the Elizabethan to Carolean era, following the passing of our beloved monarch.



And production of new 50 pence pieces showing King Charles III has already started at the Royal Mint and will be in circulation very soon.

Cont...

...Chair's Update

As we go to press we have our third Prime Minister in as many months. National politics has been volatile, to say the least, in 2022.



Our local MP Laura Trott has been appointed as the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Work and Pensions in the latest reshuffling of jobs in Westminster.



Meanwhile, in the village parishioners produced some marvellous Halloween decorations.

Take a look at page 19 of Katie's section for more examples!



Cont...

....Chair's Update

Every year the Parish Council gives donations/grants to organisations



who help its parishioners and offer invaluable help and advice. This year many have received funding and we're delighted to share the details of beneficiaries on pages 30 and 31. If you know of a group that might benefit from a donation, please let us know and we can consider this in October 2023.

The Community Café in Dunton Green (Tuesdays, term time, 9am to 11am) run by The Gathering not only offers free coffee and cake, but it is now listed as a Warm Space in Sevenoaks District Council's Directory. Take a look at their website for information about all locations listed:



www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/directory/37/warm_spaces.

It is another reason why you might like to venture along, warm up with some refreshments and enjoy the company.

If there is anyone in the village who might like to volunteer to run activities over the winter so that people can keep warm in the Pavilion (at times when we do not have other groups and hirers in), please contact the Clerk to discuss (contact details page 2).

I do hope many of you can join us for our Christmas singalong on the Village Green on Friday 16th December (see back page).

Keep warm and safe.

Freda England

Chair of Dunton Green Parish Council
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Dunton Green Pavilion



Dunton Green Pavilion is a fantastic community facility owned and managed by Dunton Green Parish Council.

Located at the heart of the village on the Recreation Ground with excellent facilities— a modern and spacious Main Hall, plus a clean and well-equipped kitchen and a smaller room ideal for meetings.

If you are thinking of setting up a new class or activity, please do get in touch to see how we can help. The Pavilion is also available to hire for birthday parties and other private events.

For more information including pricing and availability, please contact Wendy Jackson, the Bookings and Facilities Assistant on bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk / 07305 814694

Or take a take a look at our website: www.duntongreenpc.org.uk

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Dunton Green Project

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Ground, Dunton Green, TN13 2UR



For more information, please call 01732 227000 or
email communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk

HM Queen Elizabeth II

April 21st 1926 - September 8th 2022

This autumn the nation was saddened by the passing of the Queen.

Her reign of 70 years and 214 days was the longest of any British monarch and the longest verified reign of any female monarch in history.





Some of the many faces of the Queen.



Thank you for your service.
Rest In Peace.





THE GATHERING is a place for local people to get together to learn about following Jesus. We have been meeting on Sundays for about a year at Dunton Green Primary school.

We meet at 2.45pm for tea/coffee and then have a short service from 3-3.45pm with more refreshments after. Our services are suitable for all ages and have fun activities



for children with trained leaders. Our services are like those you will find in most Church of England Churches, although we especially welcome those who don't normally go to church. We read the Bible, listen to it explained, sing and pray but we won't ask you to do anything you are uncomfortable with.

We'd love you to join us any Sunday!



Throughout the year we have **special events** like our Halloween fun and Christmas celebrations, including our popular Christingle. "Easter Cracked" was a great fun event earlier this year and we loved celebrating the Jubilee together with many of you visiting. All our special events always seem to involve lots of food! We also enjoyed taking part in the DG Primary school summer fair by running a stall; enjoying the fun and raising much needed funds.



CHRISTMAS 2022

- * 4th December: School Fair
- * 11th December: Christingle
- * 18th December: Carols by Candlelight



We recently launched our **Community Café** on Tuesday mornings in term time in the Pavilion with free tea, coffee and cake for anyone. Why not think about coming along next time you want to meet up somewhere with friends?

Find Out More

 gatheringdg@gmail.com


 **The Gathering Dunton Green**


THE GATHERING
Community Café

FREE Coffee and Cake!
Toys for Pre-Schoolers
All Welcome




Tuesdays 9-11 am
 Dunton Green Pavilion
 Recreation Ground
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SATURDAY FREIGHTER GUIDANCE

The Freighter cannot accept **white goods**, washing machines, dishwashers, fridges, freezers, cookers, cast iron boilers or baths, long metal poles, building materials, manure, large parts of engines or vehicles or hazardous waste.

Hazardous waste now includes items like fluorescent tubes, **televisions & computer monitors**, **batteries**, **oil tins and filters**, **paint and paint tins** and **chemical containers**. These items **cannot** be accepted on the Saturday Freighter service and must be taken to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Compostable garden waste cannot be accepted.



FREIGHTER REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE



DATES FOR THE DIARY

THE NEW BI-MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

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Could this be you?!!

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PARISH COUNCIL EVENTS : DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday Dec 13th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Friday 16th Dec 2022 - Christmas Singalong 6pm Village Green

Tuesday Jan 10th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Feb 4th 2023 - Saturday Freighter

Tuesday Feb 14th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday Mar 14th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Mar 11th 2023 - Saturday Freighter

Wednesday Mar TBC 2023 - Annual Parish Meeting / Parish Reception

Tuesday Apr 11th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday May 13th 2023 - Saturday Freighter (PROVISIONAL)

Tuesday May 16th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion
(delayed due to elections and bank holidays)

Tuesday Jun 13th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Jul 8th 2023 - Saturday Freighter

Tuesday Jul 11th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Sept 16th 2023 - Saturday Freighter

Saturday Nov 18th 2023 - Saturday Freighter

Visit www.duntongreenpc.org.uk & sign up to Email Alerts to keep up to date/informed

about all the latest news, meetings and events information as it is published. Meeting agendas are published in the week prior to the meeting and are available on the website.

The Parish Council is also on
Facebook and Twitter!



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Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



I sometimes forget just how much traffic passes by the village until I see it at a standstill on one of our motorway bridges!



Flowers laid by the flagpole on the village green in tribute to our late HM Queen Elizabeth II.



The Book Fairy paid a visit to Dunton Green, leaving this novel at the bus shelter for someone to find...

↻ Dunton Green PC Clerk Retweeted



Dunton Green Primary @DGpr... · 1d ⋮
Some of our Year 6s enjoying their second week of fishing. This week, their goal is to catch some common carp 🐟🎣



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Show this thread

I love seeing Tweets about our local school children enjoying very practical lessons. I never went fishing at school!!

↻ Dunton Green PC Clerk Retweeted



Dunton Green Primary @DG... · 19h ⋮
Year 1 have been learning about different ways we know about the past. We handled a selection of genuine fossils and replica skulls.



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Mushrooms / fungi at the Rose Garden. And I saw this strange and colourful fungus in Rye Wood.



Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



Not sure what's happening on the footpath to Bradbourne Vale Road but this big hole has been there for a while and the gates have gone!



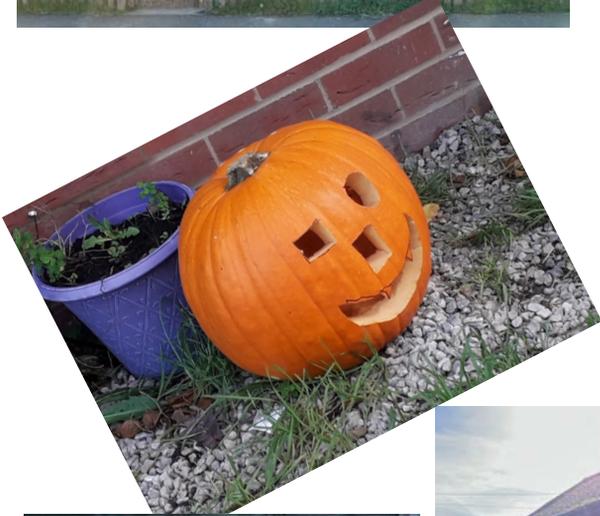
Looks like demolition of the old Vauxhall site has begun.



Fabulous sunset over Station Road.

Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent

Dunton Green does Halloween!



Update from Dunton Green Primary School



Dunton Green returned to school in September full of enthusiasm for the new academic year.

Our parent's consultation was well attended and some very positive comments were received.

Our new reception children have settled in well to their new daily routines and it is lovely to see their enthusiasm.

We must thank the PTA for organising the Halloween disco and pumpkin festival, during these difficult economic times and rising costs, particularly coaches, the kind donations from the PTA are invaluable in making our trips affordable.

[See page 43 for information about the Team DG CHRISTMAS MARKET, another great fundraising effort and everyone is invited !]



Year 2 visited Lullingstone villa to discover how the Romans lived and to see first-hand the Roman ruins.



Year 5 learned about the Tudors when staff from Knole Park held a workshop in school. Pupils were able to dress up as wealthy tutors and handle Tudor artefacts.

Year 6 visited Thorpe Park and engaged in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) activities from such well-known names as Mercedes F1, the RAF and The Royal Philharmonic. We were very proud of our pupils who were singled out for praise from the organisers for their good behaviour.

In school children have attended Dogs Trust workshops, Child pedestrian training and a NSPCC ‘Speak Out Stay Safe’ assembly.



Reverend Finn led the annual harvest assembly – the very generous donations from our families to the harvest assembly are being donated to the local food bank.

Dunton Green is embarking as a whole school on a 2 year project on meta-cognition and self-regulation with the aim of becoming a ‘Thinking School’, having a common commitment to giving regular and careful thought to everything.

We will all, both pupils and staff, be learning how to think reflectively, creatively and critically and use these skills in our school life.

Finally we are delighted and proud that this year 6 of our pupils have passed the Kent test. We wish them every success in applying for the local grammar schools.



Remembrance Sunday Service

13th November 2022





THANK YOU



It is always heart-warming to see so many people taking part in this service of Remembrance each year.

We are grateful for the involvement of 3rd Sevenoaks Scout Group, DG Primary School, Revd. Andy Finn and all those who joined us this year to make this very much a whole community event.

The Parish Council is keen that young people in the village should be able to try various sports and develop a love of being outdoors and enjoying exercise. With this in mind, and knowing that purse strings are tight, there will be a series of FREE sports sessions through 2023.

The ball got rolling after the October half term this year with a seven week programme of Kick Kent Football sessions at the MUGA (recreation ground) for our older young people (13-16 years).

In the New Year we will be launching Saturday morning sessions of Girls' Mini Kickers Football, hot on the heels of the success of the Women's England Football squad in 2022 and in response to a growing demand for girls only sessions. These sessions will be to introduce younger girls (4-6 yrs) to the 'glorious game', to have fun and make friends.

Later in the year we will have Kwik Cricket (Fridays) and the return of Basketball (Mondays). We will see Mini Tennis in the summer (Fridays) and we'll have another round of football sessions in the autumn.

As well as these FREE programmes of activities we will be trialling Fit & Fed holiday programmes. These will be multisport sessions held on one or two days each school holiday, where those young people who are signed up can also enjoy a packed lunch. Again, they will be free of charge!

Full details will be made available on our website and Facebook page ahead of each programme starting. You will need to sign your child up to take part (details of how to do this will be provided along with the dates for each programme when we advertise). Spaces will be limited.



We hope your children can take part and have a lot of fun!

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WITH KICK KENT



COMING IN 2023! SPORTS SESSIONS FOR KIDS

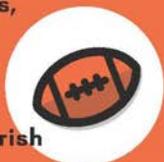
GIRLS' MINI KICKERS FOOTBALL (4-6 YRS)
KWIK CRICKET (7-11 YRS)
MINI TENNIS (5-7 YRS)
FOOTBALL (13-16 YRS)

PLUS 'FIT & FED' MULTI-SPORT
HOLIDAY SESSIONS

There will be various programmes,
each 6 to 8 weeks in length.

All FREE!

Look out for details about when,
where and how to book on the Parish
Council's website
(www.duntongreenpc.org.uk) and
social media pages



KENT PANTHERS BASKETBALL SESSIONS WILL ALSO RETURN IN APRIL 2023!

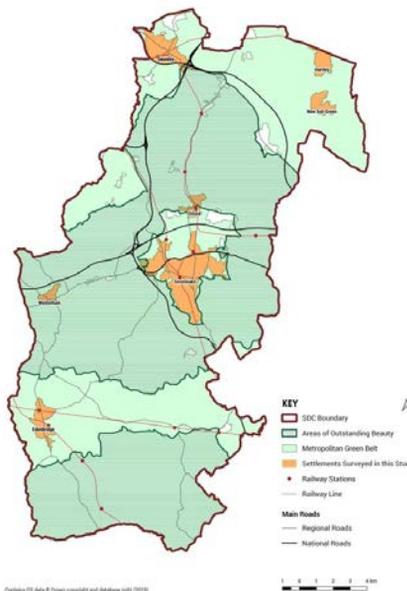
PARISH COUNCIL News Highlights

◆ **PLAN 2040 - Sevenoaks District Council consultation.** SDC has drafted an important part of the new Local Plan and they want to hear your views. The new Local Plan covers the period up to 2040. As SDC is committed to protecting the Green



Belt (covering 93% of the District), at this stage, they are not considering any Green Belt release. The new plan proposes most new developments should be constructed within existing built up areas. The plan includes proposals for new homes, protecting business space and supporting high streets and new facilities such as schools, health centres and transport. It also aims to protect the District's character and environment. The survey will be available until 11.59pm on Wednesday 11 January 2023. The Parish Council urges all residents with views on what the District Council should or should not be considering for inclusion in its plan to take a look at SDC's website (www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/plan2040) and comment.

◆ *Please note that in this version of the Plan, SDC cannot cover the housing target that the Government has set. It seems very likely that there will be a second consultation in the autumn of 2023 that could include sites in the Green Belt.*



◆ *Please also be aware that where the Plan refers to the 4 town settlements (Swanley, Sevenoaks, Edenbridge, Westerham), when it refers to Sevenoaks it means SEVENOAKS URBAN, an area that SDC Planning identified some years back which encompasses a number of outlying villages, including Dunton Green.*

PARISH COUNCIL News Highlights

- ◆ The Parish Council is considering upgrades to play spaces in the recreation ground and Longford Meadow by making use of the existing fencing. There will be talks with play specialists and the Parish Council will be consulting on various options, such as Street Snooker,



Street Darts, Street Pool, First to Zero . This may be a project that runs over the longer term so that we enhance the facilities each year, making them appealing for a wider range of users. Look out for more information coming your way!

- ◆ 2023 is Local Elections year. There will District Council and Parish Council elections in May (likely still to be 4th May, sandwiched between the two early May bank holidays now scheduled for 1st and 8th May). The Parish Council will share details when they become available in early 2023 of how to get involved. At the moment the Parish Council still has two vacancies.

Have you thought about becoming a Parish Councillor?

Am I eligible?	Is it right for me?
What does the council do?	How much time do I need to give?
Will I receive training?	Will I be paid?
Have I got the right skills?	What's it like to be a councillor?

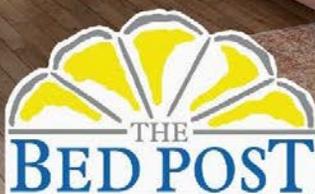


◆ The Parish Council has been advised that there is likely to be some reorganisation within Kent Police which is likely to affect Neighbourhood Policing as we have known it. There are no more details at time of going to print but we will share any updates as soon as we have them. Look out for information on our website and Facebook page.



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DONATIONS

At its October meetings each year, the Parish Council allocates funds to worthy organisations that provide invaluable support and assistance to residents. For 2022-23 donations were made to the following charities and groups.



We know that **Citizens Advice** has provided support to in excess of 125 clients in Dunton Green in just a one year period to July 2022. Its support is invaluable and the Parish Council's donation helps that support continue.



In these difficult times, people's mental health can be impacted and the support that **Sevenoaks Samaritans** and **West Kind Mind** offer can be lifesaving.

Sevenoaks Volunteer Transport Group is an amazing service that provides help for those who need to get to their medical appointments.



Sevenoaks Larder, although no longer in Dunton Green, still offers a much needed service to Dunton Green residents.



Offering support, advice and with a Lunch Club and Pop In in Dunton Green, **Age UK** is another charity that the Parish Council is proud to support.



Kent CDAP

The Lockdowns saw increases in Domestic Abuse, in confrontation and arguments and in breakdowns of relationships. The cost of living crisis is very likely to impact the levels further. **Kent Community Domestic Abuse Programme, West Kent Mediation and Relate** all have advice, information and services that they offer to help.

Sevenoaks Community First Responders are often first on scene if you call for an ambulance. These volunteers provide lifesaving help, first aid training and DGPC is very grateful for their ongoing support checking our defibrillators

We are lucky to have such a fabulous school at the heart of our community and the school PTA (**Team DG**) is at the centre of much needed fundraising efforts.



Holding On Letting Go

HOLG provides support for bereaved children. A wonderful charity that has helped local children in need of support in difficult times.

Neighbourhood Watch can provide help and resources to communities; **Victim Support** offer help if you have been affected by crime.



As well as the purchase of a Poppy Wreath, the Parish Council makes a donation to **RBL** in memory of all those from Dunton Green that have lost their lives in conflicts.



We hope you'll never need the **Air Ambulance** but it is a charitable service that could save your life, or that of a loved one.





would you, or someone that you know, like to attend the Dunton Green Lunch Club every month?

Are you not going because you can't get transport?

Call Judith on 07836 525 938

Dunton Green Lunch Club is a great place to meet friends, make new ones, enjoy a hearty lunch and have a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon!

Dunton Green Parish Council has provided funding to Age UK so that arrangements can be made for Dunton Green residents to be brought to the Pavilion every month. All you need to do is contact Judith!



DATES FOR 2022/23

Wednesdays:

7th December (Christmas Special), 4th
January, 1st February, 1st March, 5th April,
3rd May

Let's Lunch



Join us at the **Dunton Green Lunch Club** on the first Wednesday of each month (except August)

11.45am to 2pm

At Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, off London Road, TN13 2UR

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Allotment Update by Cllr. Debbie Parker

This year was definitely a challenging year for gardeners and allotmenters everywhere.

With a warm, dry Spring followed by successive heatwaves throughout Summer, the hot dry weather meant that incessant watering was needed for allotment plants to have any chance of surviving, and for most this meant more water was required than most of us could physically supply.



Parched Runner beans and thirsty potatoes

Any fresh young succulent green plants lovingly sown, tendered and planted out were soon gobbled up by thirsty and hungry slugs and snails. 30+°C heat and drought conditions made it tough for pollinators and plants alike. By early July, some Broad beans had formed but my second sowing of Runner beans were looking very sad with sparse flowers (the first sowing having been eaten) and the parched ground near the ready-to-harvest dried Garlic plants didn't show much promise for the second planting of small squash plants and the late sowing of Black French beans.



**Young French
bean plants**



Broad beans



**Dried Garlic ready for
harvesting**

However, nature is very resilient and even though watering was sparse, I was delighted and amazed when a small but significant crop of courgettes and assorted squashes appeared seemingly from nowhere! Even a Pumpkin appeared! Truly amazing and I do wonder just where they got their sustenance from as squashes are very shallow rooted.



Variety of squashes



Pumpkin

Following the late summer bursts of heavy rain and thunderstorms in August, the black French beans have been cropping well throughout September and October with the wet but still warm sunshine to help swell the pods.

The rain also helped the concrete ground to soften so that I could finally start to rescue my salad and red potatoes, something that I couldn't do without a pneumatic drill in July when the salad Charlottes should have been harvested. However, I can vouch that the Charlottes are still very good, a nice size, unblighted and very delicious, and both varieties will stay in the ground for a bit longer. Even though plants were netted, caterpillars decimated my kale, broccoli, Brussel sprouts and cabbage plants, but they have since recovered from the onslaught and are now also cropping well.



Finally harvesting!

It's always lovely to see other resident wildlife that inhabit the allotments. The scorched earth made cool, damp places a premium over the summer, so any shady spots were readily sought out and I was intrigued to spot a black slow worm resting under an empty water butt. Slow worms are normally a beautiful silvery brown-grey colour with young being more goldy coloured. I've learnt that black (or melanistic) slow worms are very uncommon, with the black colour being due to an increase of melanin pigment.

More recently, I spotted a large bug sunbathing in the October sunshine amongst the chard. Much too big for a grasshopper, I wasn't sure what it was and was delighted to find out that evening on Autumn Watch that it was a Cricket. In fact, I identified it as a Dark Bush-cricket and, because of the large vicious-looking curved spike on the abdomen, that it was a female cricket. This spike is actually an ovipositor, similar to a bee's 'sting', and is used for laying her eggs in damp soil or wood.



Black Slow Worm



Female Cricket

So that's it for now. A few successes and lots of failures this year due to the weather, but, hey! that's gardening, and I'll just try again next year!

The garlic and broad beans are already in the ground for overwintering and fingers crossed for a cooler Spring.

Happy gardening everyone!

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN PAVILION, Recreation Ground, London Road {Bookings: bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk 07305 814694}

Age UK Lunch Club	1st Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Age UK Pop In Café	2nd Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Pilates (Bryony Tilley)	07973 345 321
Taekwondo (Oaks Martial Arts)	01732 759988: info@oaksmartialarts.com
The Gathering Community Cafe	Tuesdays 9-11am term-time

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN RECREATION GROUND, London Road

Easy Netball	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Community Basketball	Kent Panthers - just turn up Mondays 5.30pm
Mini Tennis	Text Keir 07815 039497 to book a place 07803 050 431
Backyard Bootcamp	enquiries@backyardbootcamps.co.uk

DUNTON GREEN VENUES (Other)

Taking place in Donnington Hall, Barretts Road

{Bookings: Mrs J Field 01732 462429; www.donningtonhall.co.uk}

Dance Academy of Sevenoaks	Emily Teale 07840 109 052
Darenth Table Tennis Club	David & Janet Field 01732 462429
Gauge One Model Railway Assoc	Jeff Brazier 01732 454890
Hartbeeps	Jamie Blackburn 07795 103 197
Little Learners	Helen Bakie 07889 825 727
National Kick Boxing & Karate Assoc	Hilary King 07796 858 194
Sevenoaks Table Tennis League	Janet Field 01732 462429

Taking place in Village Hall, London Road

{Bookings: Mrs A Rodwell 01732 469610}

Coffee Morning	3rd Thursday of each month, 10.30am
DG School of Ballroom Dancing	David & Sandra Coppen, 07808 540 315
Holy Communion	1st, 2nd & 4th Thursdays (see St Mary's info)

Taking place in Dunton Green Primary School, London Road

{Bookings: School Office 01732 462221; office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk}

Kuk Sool Won Sevenoaks	07963 338 544; www.kswsevenoaks.com
Bujinkan Sevenoaks Dojo	bujinkansevenoaksdojo.org 16+ Thurs eve
The Gathering Church Service	Sundays 2.45-4pm

**PLEASE DO LET US KNOW IF WE CAN UPDATE THIS LIST WITH THE
DETAILS OF OTHER ACTIVITIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE VILLAGE**

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

OTHER Organisations and activities

Bessels Green Baptist Church	01732 454921; info@bgbc.co.uk
St Mary's Church Riverhead & DG	01732 669454; stmaryriverhead@gmail.com
Citizens Advice Bureau (Sevenoaks)	01732 440488; info@sevenoaks.cab.org.uk
Dial-A-Ride (Compaid)	01892 832447
Dunton Green Primary School	01732 462221 office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk
Gymboree	07827 910 978; sevenoaks@gymboree-uk.com
Kent County Council	03000 41 41 41; www.kent.gov.uk
Kent Fire & Rescue	01622 692121; 999 emergency; www.kent.fire-uk.org
Kent Police	101; 999 emergencies; www.kent.police.uk
Kent Sheds	www.shedsevenoaks.weebly.com
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; information@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks Volunteer Transport Group	01732 458931; www.sevenoaksvolunteertransport.com

Dunton Green Pavilion & Outside Space
RECREATION GROUND, LONDON ROAD
07305 814694
bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk



Dunton Green Village Hall
LONDON ROAD
01732 469610



**AFTER THE PANDEMIC THERE IS
CAPACITY AT ALL OF THESE
VENUES - IF YOU HAVE A GROUP,
CLASSES OR NEED A PARTY VENUE
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH**

Donnington Hall BARRETT'S ROAD
01732 462429



BOOK REQUEST



At Dunton Green we are committed to ensuring that we develop a love of reading for all our pupils.

We know that reading is the foundation of all learning and those pupils who read at an early age from a wide range of books and authors tend to achieve more highly.



At this time when costs are rising for everyone, we are aware that some children do not



have a choice of special books that they have at home and rely on taking books home from school. It is part of growing up and building memories as children that we can reflect on our favourite books when we were children.



The Headteacher would like to ask each child on their birthday to come to the Headteacher's office and choose a new book that they can take home and keep forever.



**Sevenoaks
Lions Club**

The Sevenoaks Lions are kindly making a generous donation to kickstart the 'library of birthday books', but we would like to ask if any

local residents would be willing to donate a book to this initiative.

Any book suitable for children aged 5 - 12 would be appropriate, as long as they are new.



Even one book donated would be greatly appreciated.



THANK YOU!

If you would like to donate a book or books, please contact the school on 01732 462221

Light Up Dunton Green 2022

After everyone's fantastic efforts over the last two years we'd like to encourage you all to share once again a bit of happiness and continue this new annual tradition!

We now find ourselves facing a cost of living crisis. In such difficult and uncertain times, it can be hard to feel any joy.

But we can all try to spread some Christmas cheer and put smiles on our neighbours' faces. So, we are asking you to please light up your front window to offer some well-deserved festive relief in our community.

Put up a string of lights, pop some lights in a lantern or a jar and let us illuminate the whole village!



If you don't have lights why not put up a picture of a star, a tree or a snowman instead? Get creative!

We know so many of you enjoy these times of the year when you can decorate your homes and it is wonderful to walk around the village over the festive season and see everyone's efforts.



St Mary's Church, Riverhead

Christmas Tree Festival



Parish Church of Riverhead with Dunton Green

A fantastic display of Christmas trees, provided by Individuals, Local Organisations and Businesses.

Gift Stall Refreshments available
 Donations for Age UK and St. Mary's Church

Join us on...

Saturday 10th Dec 9:30am - 4:30pm
 Sunday 11th Dec 11am - 4pm
 Carol Service amid the trees at 3.30pm on Sunday 11th December 2022

christmas-tree-fest@stmaryriverhead.co.uk

St Mary The Virgin Church
 Parish Church of Riverhead with Dunton Green

Join us this Christmas as we discover the greatest invitation of all

**Follow The Star
 THE GREAT INVITATION**

Sun 4 Dec	9:30am All Age Service	"The invitation to get ready for Christmas"
Sat 10 - Sun 11 Dec	9:30am - 4:30pm Christmas Tree Festival	
Sun 11 Dec	9:30 am Holy Communion	"The invitation that exceeds expectations"
	3:30pm Carols in the Trees	
Sun 18 Dec	9:30am Pop-Up Nativity (Costumes welcome!)	"The invitation to hear the story"
Wed 21 Dec	7:00pm Carol Service	"The invitation to follow the star"
Sat 24 Dec	2:30pm Crib Service and Christingle 4:00pm Crib Service and Christingle 11:30pm Midnight Holy Communion	
Sun 25 Dec	8:00am Holy Communion 9:30am All Age Christmas Service	"The invitation to worship the King"



Entrance
Adults £1
Children Free!

DUNTON GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA
(TEAM DG) PRESENTS

Christmas *market*

Dec 4th
12pm - 3pm



**Santa's Grotto, Secret Auction, Raffle, Giftware,
BBQ, Mulled Wine, Hot Chocolate and much more..!**



JOIN US FOR A

CHRISTMAS SINGALONG

16

DECEMBER

6.00PM

VILLAGE GREEN

REFRESHMENTS

EVERYONE VERY

WELCOME!!