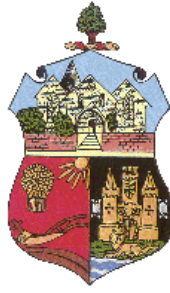


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BRAMLEY UPDATE

May 2024

News from Bramley and Grafham brought to you by Bramley Parish Council

Welcome to Bramley Update! Something you'd like to put into the next edition, or comments about what you'd like to see in it? Email bramleyupdate@gmail.com.

Friends or family in Bramley? Think they'd like to see this email? Please suggest they subscribe (see below). Do you belong to a society or club? You can use this to publicise your events. There's no charge for subscribing or contributing to Bramley Update.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Thursday 16th May – Full Council meeting and Planning Review committee meeting 6.00pm- Bramley Village Hall meeting room – All welcome
- Saturday 18th May – Bramley Village Fete 12.00 – 4.00pm Gosden Common

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Bramley Parish Council update

In April the Parish Council held their Annual Assembly. This gave Chairman Patrick Leung the chance to report on Parish Council activity for the last 12 months. Members of the public also had the opportunity to ask questions to Councillors directly.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Bramley Fete - Saturday 18th May – 12.00 – 4.00pm

This big day is nearly upon us! Please make sure the date is in your diary and support our Grand Draw ticket sellers when they knock on your door. All funds raised raised by both the Fete and Grand Draw goes directly back into our local community.

We still need parking assistants for a few slots - please email bramleyfete@gmail.com if you are able to spare 45 minutes on fete day - free pint reward for your efforts!

If you are able to bring a contribution to the country kitchen stall please bring on the day and label any allergens. Many thanks.

Finally don't forget to follow Bramley Village Fete on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/bramleyvillagefete) or [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/bramleyvillagefete)

Open Gardens 11th May Summerpool House – 10.00am – 12.00pm

Our annual Plant and Cake sale with Open Garden in aid of Holy Trinity Church and St Andrew's Grafham will be held on 11th May at Summerpool House, the house on the crossroads by the roundabout. Come and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee in the garden.

Roadworks at Gosden Common

Thames Water's ongoing work to unblock the sewage pipe leading from Gosden Common continues. Expected end date for traffic lights now Friday 10th of May.

News from Bramley Library.

Bramley Library are running the book stall at the fete again this year. We have a range of books available, please come and see us.

We had a Storytime event at Easter where the children listened to stories and had a craft session. Look out for details for the next one, the children always enjoy these sessions.

We always have the following available at the library.

Facilities at Bramley Library

Public Computers

A4 Colour Printer

A3/A4 Photocopier

Free WiFi

Meeting room for hire

Puzzle corner. (and swap)

We also stock the following:

Greeting Cards, Reading Glasses, Eco Chic shopper bags, Postage Stamps, Children's Sticker Books, Posters and Workbooks, Bramley Library Jute bags. Tea and coffee.

Regular activities

Rhymetime takes place every Friday morning 11.00 - 11.30. This is for the younger children and adults.

Bramley Knitwits every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 13.00 - 15.00 if you can knit, crochet, sew or any other craft please come along and meet this friendly group.

NHS Hearing Aid Clinic this takes place every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 10.30 - 12.00.

Opening times

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. 10.00-12.30pm & 2.00-4.30pm.

Wednesday and Saturday 10.00-12.30pm

Bramley Library can also be followed on Facebook and X (Twitter).

The Villages Wednesday Club are looking for new members.

Fancy a tasty lunch and a friendly chat? Why not join the Villages Wednesday Club.

We meet at Blunden Court, Bramley every Wednesday from 10am to 2.30pm. For only £5 you get morning coffee, a freshly prepared lunch, entertainment and afternoon tea.

For those living in Shamley Green, Womersley, Bramley and the surrounding villages it's a lovely day out and a chance to meet with people and make new friends. Transport can be arranged if you need it.

For more information and to arrange a taster session contact the manager Nicola Mendelssohn on 07711 043665 or email manager@fourvillages.co.uk

Guildford & Waverley Business Question Time, Monday 3 June 2024 from 5-7pm

The event will be hosted and chaired by **Prof. Amelia Hadfield**, Associate Vice President for External

Engagement in the Department of Politics at the University of Surrey, following her brilliant key-note speech at our BQT event in 2022.

The key-note speech this year will be given by leading economist **Vicky Pryce**, Chief Economic Adviser at the Centre for Economics and Business Research, who will set the scene on the national and regional economic forecast for local businesses.

This will be followed by questions to a panel of business leaders from across many sectors of industry in Waverley and Guildford:

- **Rupert Thompson**, Managing Director, Hogs Back Brewery
- **Liana Fricker**, Founder, Inspiration Space
- **Steve Cuss**, Founder, The Gameplan Consultancy
- **Doug Johnson**, Director, Mesh Energy
- **Prof. Sophy Smith**, Director of Games & Creative Technologies, University for the Creative Arts
- **Dawn Hudd**, Joint Strategic Director, Guildford Borough Council & Waverley Borough Council

To Book click [here](#)

Surrey Hills National Landscape Postcards for the future campaign

For more details see [here](#)

The Life of Christ at Wintershall 18th – 22nd June

Discover the wonder of Jesus' life with an unforgettable event for all the family. The Life of Christ is a play like no other, placing you in the middle of an immersive theatre experience.

Perfect for schools, families, faith groups or theatre lovers, The Life of Christ is highly entertaining and unforgettable.

For more details and to book visit their [website](#).

News from Bramley Infant School

After a busy start to the term, the kids have all settled nicely back into the school routine. On the days where the sun has popped its head out, the children have enjoyed having as much outdoor time as possible - not only in the playground but also the field, as well as exploring our pond. Pre-school have been budding gardeners, growing cress, and Year 2 have started their swimming lessons this term, so by the end of Thursday they are definitely worn out! This terms school value that we are focusing on is truthfulness. We are all looking forward to Bramley's Fete on the 18th and at home are busy getting our bunting ready.

A polite reminder from Bramley Infant and Nursery School that the school bins are for school waste only. We have seen members of the public use our bins to dispose of their own household waste with the bins sometimes too full to close. If the bins are overfilled, then the school has to pay to have waste taken away which means less funds for the children. Thank you.

News from St Catherine's School

Informal Concert - Tuesday 7th May 2024 at 7pm

Lower Atrium – no need to pre- book tickets.

Prep School open event - Wednesday 8th May 2024 - 9.30 – 11.45am

Please book your place by visiting our website or contacting Mrs Sarah Waller on 01483 899665

Baby Cats sensory play - Friday 17th May 2024 - For 0 – 3 yrs.

Let us stimulate your child's senses and be prepared to get messy!

9.30 – 10.30am - St Cats Prep Gym.

There is no charge but please book your place [here](#).

For more details please visit their [website](#)

Soroptimist International Surrey Hills

Monday 20th May – meeting at Godalming Baptist Church Hall, GU7 1BA – 7.45 pm.

Saturday 25th May, we're meeting at Coffee #1, Godalming High Street 10 – 11.30 am and wearing orange in support of the UN campaign to end violence against women.

Saturday 1st June – we're at the Godalming Town Show. Please email sisurreyhills@gmail.com for further details of any event . www.sigbi.org/surrey-hills and www.facebook.com/surreyhillssoroptimists

News from Holy Trinity, Bramley

Our services during vacancy continue as before:

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am - Sung Holy Communion

The church remains open from 9am to 5pm every day for quiet prayer and silence contemplation.

For any information please email the office at office@holytrinitybramley.org.uk (please note that our offices are not manned continually).

We shall be manning the Tea Tent at the Bramley Fete so please come and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and cake at reasonable prices.

Do have a look at our [website](#), for all church and community information.

Newsletter from the Friends of St Andrew's and Grafham

The church parish of Grafham lies within the civil parish of Bramley. Anyway, exciting things are happening in Grafham, organised by the Friends of St Andrew's and Grafham. Their latest Newsletter, see [here](#), explains the aims of the Friends, covers past and future events, and has interesting articles about Grafham's history and the planned restoration of St Andrew's Church. If you are interested in becoming a Friend please contact stuartwhite2023@gmail.com .

Flute and Harp Recital in St Andrew's Church, Grafham on Sunday 12th May at 4pm

For more details see [here](#)

Illustrated talk about Grafham's famous architect Henry Woodyer, and the Pevsner Buildings of England series, on Friday 7th June at 7.30pm in Cranleigh School.

For more details see [here](#)

News from St Andrew's Grafham

There is a service every Sunday morning at 10.45am.

5th May Rogation service and walk at Whipleigh Manor Farm starting in the farm yard and returning there for a ploughman's lunch after the walk. If you prefer not to walk there will be a trailer available to ride in. There's no service in church that day.

Thursday May 9th is Ascension Day.

St Andrew's and Holy Trinity, Bramley will join together for a service of Holy Communion outside St Francis' Chapel by the lake at Wintershall at 5.30pm. It will be preceded by a walk along the boundary between the parishes of Grafham and Bramley starting at 3.30pm from the Grafham Room (where parking will be available). You are welcome just to come to the service if you prefer. Car sharing is recommended, as parking at Wintershall is limited. Please park outside the entrance to Honey mead and walk through the gate opposite

to the chapel.

Everybody is invited to bring a picnic so we can eat together after the service.

26th May There will be no service at St Andrew's. Instead there will be a joint service at Holy Trinity, Bramley at 10.30am to celebrate their patronal festival.

2nd June at 6pm Bring your dog to church!

Dogs are welcome at all our services but this is a special evening service when you are invited to bring your canine companions to give thanks for the joy they give you. You are still very welcome even if you don't bring a dog. Drinks, nibbles – and dog biscuits - will be served after the service.

Everybody is always very welcome at any of the services.

Please see the [website](#) for more details or contact

the Revd Camilla White on camillaezwhite@gmail.com or 01483 892645.

Bramley Update is usually circulated between the 4th and 7th of each month. If you have a contribution to the content of a future issue, please send it to bramleyupdate@gmail.com by the end of the preceding month.

Details about future events taking place in Bramley and its immediate vicinity are welcome, as are news items that would be of interest to residents of Bramley. Adverts for job opportunities and information about events outside of our area will not be published.

Best wishes

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