

## SEDLESCOMBE WITH WHATLINGTON

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6th Sunday after Trinity

10p

**SONGS OF PRAISE AT ST  
BARNABAS, BEXHILL**

We are all invited to join Fr Colin and his congregation on Sunday 7 July at 4 pm for a service of Songs of Praise. We are also invited to join them for tea afterwards. Please come and join this act of worship and fellowship between town and country parishes.

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**SEDLESCOMBE & DISTRICT  
FLOWER CLUB**

At our next meeting on **Wednesday 10 July** in the village hall at 7.15 pm Mrs A Lee's demonstration is entitled "Kaleidoscope".

Members' competition - an exhibit using tints, tones and shades of any colour. Foliage of any colour allowed. New members and visitors very welcome.

**SEDLESCOMBE SCHOOL**

The last few weeks of term are very hectic - full of fun times for the children! Each class has been for a day trip - Class 5 enjoyed a day of wonderful sporting activities, Class 4 spent a great day at Hever Castle to complement their history topic on the Tudors, Class 3 enjoyed a day at

Mallydams. Classes 1 and 2 had great fun at the "Mohair Centre" and brought back some superb weaving they had done - and Class R have had a lovely day at Beckley Farm. What great fun for everyone.

The final total raised at our Family Challenge Day was £935 - a fantastic amount. £467 will be sent to "Children with Leukaemia" fund, with the remainder going towards resources for our children. Well done everyone.

Our children took part in a recent schools' Recorder Festival and performed very well. Mrs Richardson (our Deputy Head) teaches the recorder and we were the only school to have children playing the treble recorder as well as the descant recorder. We're very proud of the children.

The "Music Evening" held in the village hall on 25 May was recorded and is now available on a double CD. This wonderful CD contains pictures of the children who performed and is priced £5. It is a lovely memory of the evening - keyboard music, Opera South East and the school choir.

If you would like to order a copy, please call into school or telephone (870585) before the end of term on 19 July. Thank you.

We hope to see many of you at our Strawberry Fayre today (6 July) between 1.30 and 4 pm. There are lots of stalls, grand raffle, delicious strawberry teas - bring your family and friends.

Please come along to our performances of "Robin Hood" on 9 and 10 July at 7 pm. Entry is free but we have a retiring collection. The children have been rehearsing for only 2 weeks - and are having great fun.

Marian Ham

**BONUS BALL** subscriptions of £4 now due for July.

Rosemary

**SEDLESCOMBE & DISTRICT  
GARDEN SOCIETY****JUBILEE GARDEN COMPETITION  
2002**

Have you been marking the Jubilee with some horticultural efforts - have you gone red, white and blue in the garden or perhaps you have gone for gold in a hanging basket? The Society are hosting a competition that will reward your efforts - let us have a photo of your colourful jubilee display, pot or basket display at the Summer Show - you may win a bottle

of Celebration Bubbly! Classes are as follows:

1. **Best overall colour display - garden or border.** You may want to do a photo montage to show the overall effect, no larger than A3.
2. **Jubilee hanging basket** - single photo or photo montage as above
3. **Jubilee Patio Pot** - single photo or photo montage as above
4. **Miniature Jubilee Garden** - this is a class for children under 15 years. They will need to create a miniature garden in a seed tray illustrating the Spirit of Jubilee. Jubilee Awards to the winner and prizes for runners-up. Age taken into account.

Entries do not have to be in until the morning of the show - **Saturday 27 July**, between 8 am and 10.30 am. Bring them to the village hall.

Show secretary, Irene Ferguson, 01424 870564 or e-mail

ireneferguson@clanferguson.org.uk

**SEDLESCOMBE PLAYERS**

On behalf of the Players I must thank those organisations which have made a contribution towards the cost of installing acoustic boards in the village hall. Thanks to a very generous anonymous donation we are now in a position to order the boards which we hope will be in place very shortly. It would be helpful if organisations who have promised donations would now please forward their contribution.

Paula Fisher

**From the Churchwardens  
Parishes of St John the Baptist, Sedlescombe  
and St Mary Magdalene, Whatlington**

Following the vacancy left from last September when Fr Colin took up his new appointment, we are pleased to announce the arrangements that are now to take place.

The Rural Dean, **Revd Canon Edward Bryant**, is to be appointed Priest-in-Charge of the Parishes whilst remaining Team Rector of Bexhill St Peter, and **Revd Stephen Huggins** will be appointed Curate to the post of part-time Non-Stipendiary Minister resident in the Parish, and with his wife Toni will occupy the Rectory on a 'house for duty' basis. These appointments have been confirmed by the Bishop of Lewes and will be put into effect (probably) in October of this year.

The Churchwardens have given their whole hearted support to this proposal and commend full support within the two Parishes for the future Ministry and spiritual oversight here. Please remember in your thoughts and prayers Fr Bryant with his additional responsibilities and Stephen and Toni in their new undertaking, especially with the birth of their first baby due in a few weeks' time.

Further information will be given in the Parish News in due course.