

SEDLESCOMBE WITH WHATTLINGTON

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14th Sunday after Trinity

10p

SEDLESCOMBE PLAYERS

Rehearsals:

Tuesday 3 September, 7.30 pm in committee room 2 of the hall (dialogue casts only)

Wednesday 4 September, 7.30 in the main hall, all members

Monday 9 September, 7.30 in the main hall, all members for dress rehearsal

Performance - Saturday 14 September.

SEDLESCOMBE THEATRE CLUB

Re: our visit to the Globe, next **Tuesday, 3 September**. The coach leaves the Green at 10.30 am. Packed or pub lunch, whichever you prefer. There should be plenty of time for either.

Shirley

CHAPEL HILL CHURCH (URC)

Chapel Hill Church will be entertaining our MP, Greg Barker, at its monthly lunch on **Wednesday, 4 September**. Pledges signed by church members and others at the Village Fayre in June, asking for a change in trade rules to favour the poor, were handed over to him at the Big Lobby of Parliament on 19 June and he is coming to update us on their effect and to receive more pledges. If Trade Justice is something you feel strongly about, contact Margaret Smith on 870131 or e-mail msmith15@talk21.com for further information or pledge cards.

THURSDAY CLUB

Mr G Coleman is our speaker on **5 September**, 10am in committee room 2

of the hall. He is retired now but all his working life was associated with water supplies in the Hastings' area. His talk is entitled "Darwell Reservoir and History of the Darwell Valley".

PARISH CHURCH mini market, 10 am to 12 noon in the village hall **Thursday 5 September**.

SEDLESCOMBE SCHOOL

It's good news regarding our ICT Suite extension. Michael D Hall (architect) drew up the plans and submitted them to the County Council for planning permission a couple of months ago. Last week I received a letter confirming that planning permission has been granted. This is very exciting, not only for the school, but for our village community. I now need to work hard on raising more funds to increase the £33,000 we have so far. The building is likely to cost around £55,000 and the computers, cabling etc may cost another £40-50,000. I will be applying for grants. But a great big thank you to you all for your general support for the ICT suite and also to those of you contributing a monthly direct debit and the donations. I'll keep you informed of the progress.

Security Any day now we will be having new front gates as the old ones have rotted and are falling to bits. We will also be having some fencing installed at the field end boundary of the school premises where there are gaps which

could be used for access by intruders on to school premises. With the new installation of our CCTV system, which is excellent, and improved fencing, we are doing all we can to keep our school as safe as possible during the school day, as well as evenings, nights, weekends and holidays.

We hope and pray our school children and the school building and grounds are kept safe and respected at all times. Please continue to help by reporting anything suspicious to the police immediately. Thank you very much.

The children return on **Thursday 5 September** (Years 1-6) with our new reception children starting the following week. We look forward to a happy, safe and successful new school year.

Marian C Ham

SEDLESCOMBE VILLAGE HALL
SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB

A reminder that Keep Fit will restart on **Wednesday 11 September**, 2.15 - 3.15 pm in the village hall. Rosemary Kirby welcomes back the "regulars" but would be happy to see some new faces. She is always willing to speak to anyone who has any questions and can be contacted on 01323 767269.

Another Tea Dance will take place on **Tuesday 17 September** and future dates are **THURSDAY 17 October, 21 November and 12 December**. Anyone is welcome to come whether to dance or not. (My grateful thanks go to all who give up their time to help).

Marion Foord, 870385

BONUS BALL

Subscriptions of £4 for September now due.

Rosemary

We are not saying goodbye but farewell. We will be sad to leave but all good things must end and we start a new adventure. We have enjoyed our 15-year "holiday" in Sedlescombe and now we move on. We will visit occasionally. We thank all those who have wished us well and hope to see you again soon.

The Wanstalls

AGE CONCERN

2nd Blood Pressure Association blood pressure testing week, 16-22 September 2002. Anyone concerned about their blood pressure can attend a FREE testing session between 11 am and 12 noon on **Thursday 19 September** in St Mary's Church Hall, Battle.

High blood pressure is the major cause of strokes and heart failure and one in three major factors in causing heart attacks. The Blood Pressure Association is encouraging everyone to find out what their blood pressure levels are during its weeklong campaign. We urge people to take this opportunity to find out what their blood [pressure is and what it should be. It won't take long and could save your life.

REMINDERS

Monday 2 September - Hope & Dorothy's talk "Dover to Durness" in the village hall. Tickets, £3, now on sale at the post office. Tea and cake will be served.

Saturday 14 September - Sedlescombe Players' entertainment in the hall. Tickets, £5.50, now on sale at the post office, include supper and wine.

Thursday 19 September - VHMC committee meeting, 7.30 pm in committee room 2 of the hall.

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