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On the cover: Nestling in the lee of the South Downs, in the heart of the national park, Graffham today is a vibrant community, as this diary illustrates. For details on the diary, see facing page.

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About the Graffham village diary

The Graffham village diary is produced by *Graffham Parish News*, the village's award-winning monthly news magazine, mainly to help local organisations plan ahead to avoid clashes with other events already scheduled in the neighbourhood.

It will be updated monthly and posted on the Graffham Parish Council website graffham-pc.gov.uk and St Giles Church website at stgilesgraffham.org/

Events for which dates are not yet confirmed are **highlighted in yellow**.

If you are planning an event locally and would like it to appear here, or you've spotted something that needs updating, email [editor.graffhamparishnews@gmail](mailto:editor.graffhamparishnews@gmail.com)

Weekly church services

1st Sunday	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St Giles Church
2nd Sunday	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St Giles Church
	6pm	Evensong	All Saints Chapel
3rd Sunday	9am	BCP Holy Communion	St Giles Church
	10.30am	Church Family Eucharist	St Giles Church
4th Sunday	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St Giles Church
4th Sunday¹	6pm	Taizé Prayer ¹	All Saints Chapel
5th Sunday	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St Giles Church

• See stgilesgraffham.org, *Graffham Parish News* or Facebook's @stgilesgraffham for any changes.

- All residents and visitors are welcome to all services.
- St Giles Church is at the far south end of Graffham Street, near the Downs.
- All Saints' Chapel is opposite Graffham Village Shop.
- Both St Giles Church and All Saints' Chapel are open daily.

¹ Taizé Prayer is held on the 4th Sunday in Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov

Weekly, monthly and occasional church activities

Tuesdays	10am	Pilgrims study group	All Saints Chapel
	7.30pm	Bellringing practice – all welcome	St Giles Church
Various Wednesdays (see monthly diary)	12.30pm	Food with friends ²	The Rectory
Various Thursdays (see monthly diary)	3.30pm	Messy Church	Pavilion
1st Saturday	9.30am	Come and sing ³	St Giles Church
2nd Saturday	10am	Bellringing practice	St Giles Church
4th Sunday alternate months	6.30pm	Taizé Prayer Service	All Saints Chapel

¹ Baby and toddler group – no need to book, no fee, just turn up!

² Food with friends is an event in which all village residents who live alone are encouraged to take part, not just churchgoers.

³ Come and sing is a chance to dust off your vocal cords with some old favourite hymns and a chance to learn some new ones.

RINGING and SINGING

To join Graffham's bellringers or occasional choir, contact
 Revd Vivien on 01798 867199 or at hello@stgilesgraffham.org

Regular weekly activities (for notes, how to book, etc, see below)

Mondays	9-10am	Fitflows Fitness ¹	Empire Hall
	Daytime-evening	Osteopath ²	Empire Hall
	6pm in summer	Bowls Club practices – all welcome	Rec
Tuesdays	8.30am-12noon	Post Office	Empire Hall
	9-11am	Breakfast served	The Three Moles
	9.30am	Morning prayer and Pilgrims	All Saints Chapel
	Daytime-evening	Osteopath ²	Empire Hall
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice – newcomers welcome	St Giles
Wednesdays	9–10am	Yoga ⁴	Empire Hall
	10.15-11.30am	Teddy Time toddler group ⁵	Pavilion
	11.15am-12noon	Pilates ⁶	Empire Hall
	1.45-2.45pm	Rusty Racquets adults tennis coaching ⁷	Tennis Club
	3.30-6.15pm	After school tennis club	Tennis Club
	5pm	Nina’s Core to Floor	Westerlands
	7-8.30pm	Badminton ⁸ – all welcome	Empire Hall
	Daytime-evening	Osteopath ²	Empire Hall
Thursdays	Daytime-evening	Osteopath ²	Empire Hall
	10.45-11.45am	Ease Into Exercise ⁹	Empire Hall
	6pm	Ladies cricket training – all welcome	Rec
	6-7.15pm	Yoga ⁴	Empire Hall
Fridays	9-10.15am	Yoga ⁴	Empire Hall
	9am-3pm	Physiotherapy clinic ¹⁰	Empire Hall
	3-4pm	Rusty Racquets adults tennis coaching ⁷	Tennis Club
	Evenings	Tennis Club evenings	Pavilion
Saturdays	8.30am	Boxfit with Nina ³	Westerlands
	9-10.15am	Yoga ⁴	Empire Hall
	10am	Nina’s Core to Floor	Westerlands
	10.30am	Yoga with Kate ³	Westerlands
	9am-3pm	Physiotherapy clinic ¹⁰	Empire Hall
Sundays		Church services	St Giles

Empire Hall: For bookings etc, email bookings.empirehall@gmail.com ¹**Fitflows Fitness:** Contact Susie Bush 07870 219956. ²**Osteopath:** Bookings required. To make an appointment, for daytime or early evening, contact Anna Shawcross on 01798 867523 or see www.annashawcross.co.uk ³**For all Westerlands events:** Book online at www.westerlands.com/experiences/wild-fit ⁴**Yoga:** Deborah Albon on 07790 367009. ⁵**Teddy Time:** No charge. All welcome. Just turn up! ⁶**Pilates:** Contact Nicky Capes on 07990 517858 or 01730 812297. ⁷**Rusty Racquets:** Contact Richard Hopp at richard@hoppcoaching.co.uk, on 07904 069457. ⁸**Badminton:** Contact Christina Federowicz on 07900 055574. ⁹**Ease Into Exercise:** Contact Susie Bush 07870 219956. ¹⁰**Physiotherapy:** Contact Serena Cooper on 07884 445983 or at serenacooper.physiotherapy@outlook.com.

May

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1	Fri	11.30am-6pm	Racecourse season opener (also on 2 May)	Goodwood
2	Sat		Woodfire Camping reopens for the summer	Westerlands
3	Sun	12noon-4.30pm	Lodsworth fete	Lodsworth Rec
3	Sun	2-6pm	Fittleworth Open Gardens (also 4 May)	Fittleworth
4	Mon		<i>Early May bank holiday</i>	
4	Mon		May Day event – crowning of May Queen, maypole dancing, dug show, tug of war etc	Heyshott
5	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk on <i>Renaissance on the Loire</i>	Midhurst Methodist Hall
5	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk: <i>Girls Behaving Badly – Jane Austen’s Wicked Women</i>	Fittleworth Village Hall
6	Wed		Graffham Parish Council AGM	Empire Hall
7	Thu		Local government election day	Empire Hall
7	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
9	Sat	10-11am	Graffham Garden Group plant sale	Empire Hall
9	Sat	10am-1.30pm	Rother Valley Croquet Club open day	Dunton
9	Sat		Seaford College Prep open day	Seaford College
9	Sat	11am-3.30pm	Annual sculpture open garden with plant sale etc, in aid of Murray Downland Trust	Casters Brook, Cocking
10	Sun		Deadline for contributions to <i>Graffham Parish News’</i> June edition	
10	Sun		Christian Aid week begins	
10	Sun	11am-4pm	National Mills Day events	Burton Mill and Coultershaw
10	Sun	11.30am	Annual parish church meeting	St Giles
10	Sun	12noon	PCC meeting	St Giles
10	Sun		Folk music night	Three Moles
10	Sun	7.30pm	Leconfield Singers perform Brahms’ <i>Requiem</i>	Arundel Cathedral
13	Wed	6.30 for 7pm	Annual parish meeting of Graffham	Empire Hall
14	Thu		Ascension day	
14	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
14	Thu		Petworth Proms (till 16 May)	Petworth House
16	Sat	12 noon	Graffham Down Trust butterfly walk	Botany Bay, East Lavington

16	Sat		Goodwoof dog event (also 17 May)	Goodwood Estate
16	Sat		FA Cup final	Wembley
16	Sat	8pm	Applause Rural Touring presents <i>Behind Enemy Lines</i> play	Empire Hall
17	Sun	10am	Bells Sunday ringing	St Giles Church
18	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington annual parish meeting followed by parish council meeting	Seaford College
19	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
20	Wed	7-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents The Jam Sessions	The Wheatsheaf, Midhurst
21	Thu	3.30pm	Messy Church	Pavilion
21	Thu	7.15-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Sam Kelly's Sofa House	The Lions Den, Midhurst
21	Thu	7.45pm	Petworth Sessions presents Polly Gone Wrong	Leconfield Hall, Petworth
22	Fri	11.30am-7pm	May Festival (also 23 May)	Goodwood Racecourse
23	Sat		Seaford College half-term (to 1 June)	Seaford College
23	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
24	Sun		Whit Sunday	
24	Sun		Model railway exhibition	Coultershaw Heritage Site
25	Mon		<i>Spring bank holiday</i> WSCC schools half-term (to 29 May)	
27	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ³	Empire Hall
28	Thu	2.30pm	Graffham Garden Group outing	Meadow Farm Pulborough RH20 1DF
30	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
30	Sat	From 8pm	Inferno - Abba tribute band	Three Moles
31	Sun	4-6pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Karen Whittingham	Kamaellis, Midhurst
31	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles

June

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1	Mon		WSCC schools return from half-term	
2	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
2	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk	Methodist Hall, Midhurst
2	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk on <i>The Genius of René Lalique</i>	Fittleworth Village Hall
3	Wed		<i>World Bicycle Day</i>	
3	Wed	9am-5pm	Festival of Flowers (till Sat 6 June)	Chichester Cathedral
4	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
4	Thu	From 3.30pm	Messy Church	St Giles Church
5	Fri		<i>World Environment Day</i>	
5	Fri	11am-5pm	Artists Sue Hill and Richard Davidson's open studios	Brookdene and Graffham Houses
5	Fri	4-11pm	Goodwood Friday Night races with music (also on 13 and 19 June)	Goodwood
6	Sat		<i>Love Your Burial Ground Week/Churches Count on Nature</i> starts	
6	Sat	2-6pm	Lurgashall Village Fete	Lurgashall
6	Sat	7.30-9.30pm	Comedy night	Langham Brewery
7	Sun	3-5pm	Orchid walk and cream teas	Heyshott
7	Sun	1-5.30pm	Petworth secret gardens trail	Petworth
7	Sun	11.30am-7pm	Family race day	Goodwood
7	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
9	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
10	Wed		Deadline for contributions to <i>Graffham Parish News'</i> June edition	
10	Wed	7-10pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Will James Special Solo Show	Fairview Wines, Midhurst
11	Thu	10.30am	Graffham Garden Group outing	Dale Park House, Arundel
11	Thu	Afternoon	Thursday Club talk by Colin Barker on 50 years as a photographer	Empire Hall
11	Thu		Men's Football World Cup (till 19July)	North America

13	Sat		Trooping the Colour	London
13	Sat	11am	Screening of <i>The People's Emergency Briefing</i> film followed by discussion	Empire Hall
13	Sat	2.30pm	East Dean village fete	East Dean Old Vicarage
13	Sat		Midsummer fayre (also on Sunday 14 May)	Weald & Downland Museum
13	Sat	From 8pm	Ibiza Night with Celena Sax	Three Moles
14	Sun		Fathers' Day	
14	Sun	12noon-6pm	Open gardens	Amberley
14	Sun	7-9.30pm	Folk music night	The Three Moles
16	Tue		Sussex Day	
16	Thu		Petworth Festival (till 1 Aug)	Petworth
18	Thu		Royal Ascot (till 20 June)	Ascot
18	Thu	Afternoon	Duncton Junior School sports day	Duncton Junior School
18	Thu	8pm-late	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents The Half-Note Club 1950s-60s night	Fratellis, Midhurst
19	Fri	Afternoon	Graffham Infant School sports day	Rec
19	Fri	10am-5pm	West's Wood Fair (till 21 June)	East Dean
20	Sat		King Charles III's official birthday	
20	Sat	3pm	MADhurst presents Sussex Band of the Royal British Legion	South Downs Memorial Hall, Midhurst
21	Sun		Vintage tractors and machinery	Coultershaw Heritage
21	Sun		Fathers' Day	
24	Wed	10.30am	Duncton Junior School Year 6 Leavers' Service	Chichester Cathedral
24	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ³	Empire Hall
24	Wed	7-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents The Jam Sessions	The Wheatsheaf, Midhurst
25	Thu	7.15-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Big Joe Louis	The Lions Den, Midhurst
26	Fri	7.30pm	MADhurst Fashion Show	South Downs Memorial Hall, Midhurst
27	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
27	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
27	Sat	1pm	Wedding of Megan and Robbie	St Giles Church
27	Sat		Graffham Bowls Club's centenary tournament	Rec

27	Sat		Graffham Tennis Club's mixed doubles tournament	Rec
27	Sat	<i>From 12 noon</i>	Fete in the Park	Petworth Park
27	Sat	<i>evening</i>	Petworth Chorus summer concert	Herbert Shiner, Petworth
27	Sat	<i>From 8pm</i>	Captain's Beard pirate rock	Three Moles
28	Sat		Fun softball mixed cricket for all	Rec
28	Sun	<i>4-6pm</i>	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Keziah, vintage jazz	Kemaellis, Midhurst
28	Sun	<i>7-10pm</i>	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
29	Mon		Wimbledon Tennis fortnight opens	Wimbledon
30	Tue	<i>9-11am</i>	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall

July

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1	Wed		Seaford College term ends	Seaford College
1	Wed	6.30pm	Graffham Parish Council meeting	Empire Hall
2	Thu	10.30– 11.30am	UKHarvest community food hub	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
4	Sat	11am-5pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival's vinyl fair	The Old Library, Midhurst
4	Sat	2-5pm	Northchapel village fair	Northchapel
4	Sat		Rugby Nations Cup opening round South Africa vs England	Johannesburg
5	Sun	10am-1pm	Graffham Down Trust annual picnic	Bowley's Reserve
5	Sun		Graffham Tennis Club ladies' singles tournament	Rec
5	Sun		British Grand Prix	Silverstone
7	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk on Scottish Colourists	Midhurst Methodist Hall
7	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk on Vanessa Bell	Fittleworth Village Hall
7	Tue	3pm	PCC Community Group meeting	
8	Wed		Hampton Court Flower Show (till 12 July)	
8	Wed	7-10pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents HMT Trio	Fairview Wines, Midhurst
9	Thu	6pm	Graffham Health Support Association thank-you party for volunteers	Empire Hall
9	Thu		Festival of Speed (till 12 Jul)	Goodwood
9	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
11	Sat		Graffham Tennis Club men's doubles tournament	Rec
11	Sat		Rugby Nations Cup round 2 Fiji vs England	Fiji
11	Sat	2.30pm	Graffham Garden Group summer flower and produce show	Empire Hall
11	Sat		Wimbledon ladies' final	
12	Sun		Wimbledon men's final	
12	Sun		The Open (till 19 July)	Royal Birkdale
12	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	The Three Moles

14	Tue	7pm	Graffham Village Shop Association AGM	Rec Pavilion
15	Wed	7-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents The Jam Sessions	The Wheatsheaf, Midhurst
16	Thu		Petworth Festival (till 1 Aug)	Petworth
17	Fri		Graffham Tennis Week (to Fri 25 July)	Rec
17	Fri		Arundel Festival of the Arts (to 31 Aug)	Arundel
17	Fri		The Proms (till 12 Sep)	London
18	Sat		Rugby Nations Cup opening round Argentina vs England	Argentina
18	Sat	7-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Resolution88	Langham Brewery, Lodsworth
19	Sun		Graffham Tennis Club men's B singles tournament	Rec
19	Sun		Vintage tractors and machinery	Coultershaw Heritage Site
19	Sun		Cowdray Park polo Gold Cup final	Easebourne
20	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington Parish Council meeting	Seaford College
22	Wed	6.30pm	PCC meeting	The Rectory
22	Wed		Graffham and Duncton Schools INSET day	
22	Wed		WSCC schools term ends	
22	Wed	Various	Summer tennis course for Years R-11	Graffham Tennis Club
22	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
23	Thu	2pm	Graffham Garden Group outing to Place Farm and Cumberland House	Thakeham RH20 3EP
23	Thu	7.15-10.15pm	Midhurst Jazz and Blues Festival presents Fraser Smith Quartet	The Lions Den, Midhurst
25	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
25	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
26	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
27	Mon		Graffham Tennis Club seniors' mixed tournament	Rec
27	Mon		PACT Kids Club (till 31 July)	Herbert Shiner, Petworth
28	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
28	Tue		Glorious Goodwood (to Sat 1 Aug)	Goodwood

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1	Sat	10am-3.30pm	Bignor Sunflower Maze and Pumpkin patch (till 28 Aug)	By Bignor Roman Villa RH20 1PH
1	Sat	11am-7pm	Qatar Glorious Goodwood racing festival	Goodwood
1	Sat	11am-2pm	Madhurst Unplugged	Midhurst
1	Sat	10am-6pm	Loxwood Joust (also 2 Aug)	Loxwood RH14 0AL
1	Sat		Cowes Week (till 8 Aug)	Isle of Wight
6	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
7	Fri	7.30pm	MADhurst presents Squinty McGinty Band's high energy folk, Celtic and singalong	South Downs Memorial Hall, Midhurst
8	Sat	10am-6pm	Loxwood Joust (also 9 Aug)	Loxwood RH14 0AL
8	Sat	Afternoon	Heyshott summer show	Cobden Hall, Heyshott
9	Sun		Heritage crafts exhibition	Coultershaw Heritage Site
9	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
11	Tue	2pm	Graffham Garden Group outing	West Dean
12	Wed		<i>The Glorious Twelfth</i>	
15	Sat		VJ Day	
15	Sat	10am-6pm	Loxwood Joust (also 17 Aug)	Loxwood RH14 0AL
15	Sat		Graffham Down Trust tea in the reserves	Graffham Down
15	Sat	From 8pm	Absolutely Dragulous drag night	Three Moles
16	Sun	6.30pm	MADhurst presents Forza Opera Tenor Duo	Midhurst
22	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
22	Sat	7.30pm	MADhurst presents Mission Impossible Soul Band	South Downs Memorial Hall, Midhurst
22	Sat	7.30pm	Comedy night	Langham Brewery
23	Sun		Stationary engines and machinery	Coultershaw Heritage Site
23	Sun	3-11pm	Big Music Bash	Petworth Pk Cricket Club
25	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
26	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
28	Fri		August Bank Holiday Racing (till 30 Aug)	Goodwood
29	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
29	Sat	2-7pm	Summer Street Party	Midhurst Market Sq
30	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
31	Mon		August bank holiday	

September

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1	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society Midhurst talk	Methodist Hall, Midhurst
1	Tue	1.15 for 2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
1	Tue		WSCC term starts but INSET day at Graffham and Duncton Schools	
2	Wed		INSET day at Graffham and Duncton Schools	
2	Wed	6.30pm	Graffham Parish Council meeting	Empire Hall
3	Thu		Seaford College term starts	
3	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
6	Sun		Graffham Tennis Club men's A singles tournament	Rec
7	Mon	7pm	Empire Hall AGM	Empire Hall
8	Tue	11.30am-5.30pm	Autumn Racing	Goodwood
11	Tue		Jewish new year	
12	Sat		Graffham Tennis Club ladies' doubles tournament	Rec
12	Sat		Heritage weekend (also Sun 13 Sept)	Coultershaw Heritage
12	Sat		Last Night of the Proms	Royal Albert Hall
13	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
15	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional!	Empire Hall
18	Fri	7am-7pm	Goodwood Revival (to 20 Sep)	Goodwood
19	Sat	evening	Wall of Floyd Pink Floyd tribute band	Empire Hall
20	Sun	10.30am	Harvest Festival service	St Giles
21	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington Parish Council meeting	Seaford College
23	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
23	Wed	11.30am-5.30pm	Autumn Racing	Goodwood
25	Fri	6.30pm	Village harvest supper	Empire Hall
26	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
26	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
26	Sat		Seaford College Prep School open morning	Seaford College
27	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
29	Tue		Michaelmas Day	

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1	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
4	Sun		Chichester half marathon	Chichester
6	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
6	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society Midhurst lecture	Midhurst Methodist Church Hall
6	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
8	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
10	Sat	9am-2pm	Autumn market	Midhurst
10	Sat	7.30pm	Graffham Down Trust annual quiz night	Empire Hall
11	Sun	11am-6.30pm	Racing Season Finale	Goodwood
11	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
14	Wed	12.30pm	Food with Friends	The Rectory
16	Fri		Seaford College half-term (to 1 Nov)	
17	Sat	7pm	Graffham Empire Movies	Empire Hall
18	Sun	9.30am	Graffham Down Trust work party	Meet at St Giles
21	Wed	6.30pm	PCC meeting	The Rectory
23	Fri		INSET day at Graffham and Duncton schools	
24	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
24	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
24	Sat	evening	Ed Blunt singer songwriter gig	Empire Hall
25	Sun	2am	Clocks go back one hour	
25	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
26	Mon		WSSC schools half-term (to 30 Oct)	
27	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
28	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
28	Wed		Petworth Festival Literary Week (to 8 Nov)	Petworth
30	Fri		Halloween	

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1	Sun		All Saints Day	
2	Mon		Graffham Camping and Caravan site closes for winter	Graffham
3	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society Midhurst talk	Midhurst Methodist Hall
3	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
4	Wed	6.30pm	Graffham Parish Council meeting	Empire Hall
5	Thu		Guy Fawkes Day	
5	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
6	Fri	From 6pm	Fireworks night	Midhurst Rother College
7	Sat		Petworth Bonfire Night	Hampers Green
8	Sun		Remembrance Sunday	
			Diwali	
		9.30am	Service of Remembrance	St Giles Church
		11am	Service of Remembrance	War Memorial
8	Sun	3.10pm	Rugby Nations Cup England vs Australia rugby	Twickenham
8	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
11	Wed	11am	Armistice Day Prayers	War Memorial
12	Thu	2pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
14	Sat		King Charles III's birthday	
14	Sat	4.40pm	Rugby Nations Cup England vs Japan rugby	Twickenham
14	Sat		Tennis Club trophy presentation evening	Rec Pavilion
14	Sat	From 7pm	Heyshott Bonfire Night	Heyshott
14	Sat	evening	Le Freak Nile Rogers/Chic tribute band	Empire Hall
16	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington Parish Council meeting	Seaford College
17	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
21	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
21	Sat	10am	Tillington Christmas Market	Tillington Church
21	Sat	2.10pm	Rugby Nations Cup England vs New Zealand rugby	Twickenham
25	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
26	Thu		USA's Thanksgiving Day	
27	Fri		Rugby Nations Championship finals weekend (till 29 Nov)	Twickenham

28	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
28	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
28	Sat	7.30pm	Comedy night	Langham Brewery
29	Sun	5pm	Advent Service with Seaford College choir	St Giles
29	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
30	Mon		St Andrew's Day	

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1	Tue	10.30am	Arts Society Midhurst talk	Methodist Hall Midhurst
1	Tue	2pm	Arts Society West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
3	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
4	Fri	9am-10pm	Christmas street party	Midhurst
5	Sat	11am-2pm	Graffham Christmas Fair	Empire Hall
5	Sat	9-2pm	Christmas market	Midhurst
5	Sat	11am onwards	Petworth Christmas Cracker	Petworth
5	Sat	All day	Christmas Festive Market (also 7, 13 and 14 Dec))	Chichester
8	Tue	9-11am	Great Feet foot health professional ¹	Empire Hall
9	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ² Christmas lunch	Empire Hall
10	Thu	12.45pm	Thursday Club Christmas lunch	Unicorn, Heyshott
11	Fri		Seaford College term ends	Seaford College
12	Sat	7.30pm	Petworth Town Band Christmas Concert	St Mary's Petworth
13	Sun	5pm	Candlelit festival of lessons and carols	St Giles
13	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
17	Thu	6pm	Petworth Chorus' Carols by Candlelight	St Mary's Church Petworth
18	Fri		WSCC schools terms end	
18	Fri	8.15pmish	Traditional Christmas Mummers Play	Foresters Arms
19	Sat	6pm	Leconfield Singers Christmas concert	St Mary's Petworth
19	Sat	7.30pm	Traditional Christmas Mummers Play	Three Moles
20	Sun	9.45am	Graffham Down Trust work party	Meet at St Giles
20	Sun	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
20	Sun	6pm	Communal carol singing	Foresters Arms
21	Mon		Shortest day of the year	
24	Thu	4pm	Crib service - tinsel, crowns and tea towels welcome!	St Giles
24	Thu	7pm	Candlelit Christmas Eve Eucharist	St Giles
25	Fri		Christmas Day	
25	Fri	10.30am	Christmas Day Family Service	St Giles
26	Sat		Boxing Day	
27	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	The Three Moles
31	Thu		New Year's Eve	

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1	Fri	<i>New Year's Day bank holiday</i>		
3	Sun	4-6pm	Burn's Night dancing practice	Empire Hall
4	Mon	WSSC schools and Seaford College terms start – but Graffham and Duncton Schools and Midhurst Rother College INSET days		
5	Tue		Midhurst Rother College INSET day	
6	Wed	<i>Epiphany</i>		
7	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
7	Thu		PCC 'vision' meeting	The Rectory
7	Thu	6.30pm	Graffham Parish Council meeting	Empire Hall
7	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club talk	Empire Hall
10	Sun	4-6pm	Burn's Night dancing practice	Empire Hall
10	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
15	Fri		Deadline for applications to enrol in September at Graffham Infant School	
16	Sat	7pm	Graffham Empire Movies	Empire Hall
17	Sun	4-6pm	Burns' Night dancing practice	Empire Hall
18	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington Parish Council meeting	Seaford College
20	Wed	12.30pm	Graffham Garden Group new year lunch	Empire Hall
20	Wed	6.30pm	PCC meeting	The Rectory
23	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
23	Sat	evening	Burns' Night reeling and dinner	Empire Hall
24	Sun	9.30am	Graffham Down Trust work party	Meet at St Giles
24	Sun		Burns Night	
24	Sun	7-10pm	Blues Night	Three Moles
27	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
30	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
31	Sun	2-4pm	Open garden snowdrop festival	Manor of Dean, Tillington GU28 9AP

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2	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk	Midhurst Methodist Hall
		2pm	Arts Society of West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
3	Wed	6pm	PCC meeting	The Rectory
4	Thu	10.30– 11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
5	Fri		Six Nations rugby– Ireland vs England	Dublin
6	Sat		Chinese new year	
6	Sat	9.30am	Graffham Down Trust work party	Meet at St Giles
7	Sun		First day of Ramadam	
7	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
9	Tue		Shrove Tuesday	
10	Wed		Ash Wednesday	
11	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
12	Fri		Seaford College half-term (to 22 Feb)	Seaford College
14	Sun		Valentine's Day	
14	Sun		Six Nations rugby – England vs France	Twickenham
15	Mon		WSCC schools half term (till 19 Feb)	
20	Sat		Six Nations rugby – Italy vs England	Rome
21	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
24	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
27	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
27	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
27	Sat	7pm	Graffham Empire Movies	Empire Hall

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1	Mon		St David's Day	
2	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk	Midhurst Methodist Hall
2	Tue	2pm	Arts Society of West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
3	Wed	7pm	Graffham Parish Council meeting	Empire Hall
4	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
6	Sat	9.30am	Graffham Down Trust work party	Meet at St Giles
6	Sat		Six Nations rugby- Wales vs England	Cardiff
7	Sun		Mothering Sunday	
7	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
8	Mon		Last day of Ramadan	
9	Tue	7pm	Quiz night	The Three Moles
9	Tue	7pm	Heyshott Parish Council meeting	Cobden Hall Heyshott
11	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
12	Fri	6.45 for 7pm	Graffham Garden Group AGM with guest speaker and spring flower show	Empire Hall
13	Sat		Six Nations rugby final day - England vs Scotland	Twickenham
13	Sat	8pm	Anna Pancaldi in concert	Empire Hall
15	Mon	6.15pm	East Lavington Parish Council meeting	Seaford College
17	Wed	7.30pm	Seaford College presents musical	Seaford College
20	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
20	Sat	10.30am-2pm	Easter market	Empire Hall
21	Sun		Palm Sunday	
22	Mon	7pm	Graffham Tennis Club AGM	Pavilion
24	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
25	Thu		WSCC and Seaford College terms ends	
25	Thu		INSET day at Graffham and Duncton schools	
25	Thu		Maundy Thursday	
26	Fri		Good Friday	
27	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
27	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
28	Sun	British Summer Time starts – clocks spring forward one hour		
28	Sun	Easter Sunday		

28	Sun		Easter egg toss	Rec
28	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
29	Mon		Easter Monday	

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1	Thu		Graftham Camping and Caravan Club site opens for season	
1	Thu	10.30-11.30am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth
4	Sun		The Boat Race	Putney to Mortlake
6	Tue	10.45am	Arts Society of Midhurst talk	Midhurst Meth Hl
6	Tue	2pm	Arts Society of West Sussex talk	Fittleworth Village Hall
8	Thu	2.30pm	Thursday Club	Empire Hall
10	Sat		Grand National	Aintree
11	Sun	7pm	Folk music night	Three Moles
12	Mon		WSSC school term starts - but MRC INSET day	
14	Wed	7pm	Heyshott annual meeting of the parish	Cobden Hall Heyshott
21	Wed		First day of Jewish passover	
19	Mon		Seaford College terms start	Seaford College
21	Wed	12.30pm	Lunch Club ²	Empire Hall
23	Fri		St George's Day	
24	Sat	9am-1pm	Petworth Farmers Market	Petworth
24	Sat	10-11am	Community garden work party	War Memorial
25	Sun		London Marathon	London
25	Sun		Graftham Bowls Club season opening	Rec
25	Sun	7-10pm	Booze 'n' Blues Night	Three Moles
28	Wed	6.30pm	PCC meeting	The Rectory
29	Thu	10-11am	UKHarvest surplus food market	Sylvia Beaufoy, Petworth