WHAT'S ON?

- **3 Dec** Mobile Library 2.00pm School Lane/2.35 The Street/Opp Red House Lane
- **3 Dec** Craft Group 7.30pm, the Hall
- **7 Dec** Bawdsey Christmas Market 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall
- 7 Dec Christmas Lights Switch On & Pop-Up-Pub 6.00-11.00pm, the Hall
- 7/8 Dec Christmas Craft Fair & Grotto 12.00-6.30pm, Suffolk Punch Trust
- 12 Dec Christmas Lunch 12.00 for 12.30pm, the Hall
- 14 Dec Carols & Cake Pop-up-Boathouse Café, 2.00pm, the Hall
- 22 Dec Carol Service 3.00pm, St Mary's followed by tea in the Hall
- 7 Jan Craft Group 7.30pm, the Hall
- 9 Jan Coffee & Chat 10.30am, Brenda's, 1 Eastfields
- 23 Jan Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm, the Hall
- Stay & Play: Big Bears children walking–4 years Baby Bears babies, non-mobile to crawling. Both Wednesdays 10.00-11.30am, Bawdsey School. Booking essential. Boathouse Café closed
- Suffolk Punch Trust open 7/8 Dec (see diary) otherwise closed
- Marsh Barn Café RSPB Reserve, Hollesley 10.00am-2.00pm daily
- Mobile Post Office every Thursday 11.30am-12.30pm, Alderton Village Hall
- Chair-based Exercise Class 10.30am, the Hall, ring Jane 411373
- Yoga with Darren paused for the moment
- **Bawdsey/Alderton Emergency Planning** Co-ordinator Tony Street 07764198759 **Suffolk Police** www.suffolkpolice.uk email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk
- ★ Copy for the February Bulletin required by 22 January please ★
 ▲ Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the Bulletin team

POPPY APPEAL

Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Royal British Legion appeal and please accept our apologies if we called when you were not at home. Linda Cooper & Susan Foster

> The Suffolk Punch Trust – Christmas Craft Fair & Grotto 7 & 8 December, 12.00–6.30pm Book online at www.ticketsource.co.uk

Please email louiselennard127@btinternet.com if you would like a Bulletin emailed to you. Email addresses will never be shared with third parties.

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ST MARY'S, BAWDSEY ~ CAROLS

Saturday 14 December ~ Pop-up-Boathouse Café with Carols, 2.00pm, Village Hall Sunday 22 December ~ Carol Service, 3.00pm in the Church, followed by tea and cake in the Village Hall

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON FOLLOWED BY POP-UP-PUB Saturday 7 December, 6.00-11.00pm, Village Hall

Carols ~ Mulled Wine ~ Mince Pies Pop-Up-Pub ~ Music ~ Drink ~ Snacks

CAROL SINGING IN THE VILLAGES - A message from the Revd Capt Simon Cake

Come and sing carols with our villagers and visitors and enjoy the Christmas spirit Thursday 12 December 7.30pm The Swan, Alderton Saturday 14 December 2.00pm Pop-up Boathouse Café, Bawdsey Village Hall Tuesday 17 December 7.00pm The Plough, Sutton Friday 20 December 7.00pm The Shepherd and Dog, Hollesley

BAWDSEY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Taking place in the Village Hall on Thursday 12 December, 12.00pm for 12.30pm. **Everyone very welcome**. If you wish to attend, please bring a plate of hot/cold food to share. There will be a Christmas hamper raffle - please give any seasonal donations to Brenda Butterworth at 1 Eastfields. Please also bring a small wrapped gift for the Secret Santa for each attendee, to the tune of around £5. Numbers or for further information, contact Jenny 410198. Bring your own drink! Tea and coffee will be served after the meal which we hope will be a lovely festive occasion.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY, 31 DECEMBER, 8.00pm-1.00am, VILLAGE HALL

Resident DJ 'No Dog Rob' will be providing the tunes. Tickets are £20 which includes buffet food, all drink and fizz at midnight. **Entry by ticket only (no tickets on the door)** from Caroline (caroline.fiddes@msn.com/01394410069/07999235094). Payment by Christmas Eve by cash through letter box at 1a Forge Cottage, or bank transfer (details from Caroline), or contact Rob at Tailor's House.

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ST MARY'S CHURCH

Church Services December

Sunday 8 Dec – 11.00am – Holy Communion Sunday 22 Dec – 3.00pm Carol Service (see front page for details) Christmas Day – 10.30am Christmas Service **Church Services January**

Sun 12 Jan – 11.00am Holy Communion

Sun 26 Jan – 11.00am Candlemas Morning Praise

(Note: The Christmas Tree is left up until after the Candlemas Service)

Dogs in the Churchyard: A reminder to keep dogs on leads in the Churchyard please: Diocesan Churchyard rules are clear that dogs must be under control and not allowed to foul. Unfortunately dogs cannot read the rules but there is no such excuse for their owners. Please respect all Churchyard visitors, mourners, neighbours, Forest School children and wildlife.

JANUARY COFFEE & CHAT

Brenda Butterworth is hosting the first Coffee and Chat of the New Year at 1 Eastfields on Thursday 9 January (the second Thursday for this month only) at 10.30am. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM YOUR MP

As Christmas approaches and 2024 draws to a close, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible privilege of being elected to serve as your Member of Parliament. It's been a remarkable year, and I've been truly moved by the spirit of community across our constituency.

This time of year reminds us of the importance of looking out for one another, and I'm especially grateful to our local charities and army of local volunteers whose dedication brings hope and light to so many lives. Since I was elected, I've had the privilege of visiting so many charities and organisations supporting our communities – and I'm both appreciative and inspired by your work and service to provide support to those in need.

I'm deeply thankful for the trust you've placed in me, and I look forward to working hard for you and representing Suffolk Coastal in the year ahead.

Wishing you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jenny Riddell-Carpenter MP

THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

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DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	ALDEBURGH
Monday	8.00am-2.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am-6.30pm		8.00am-6.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Thursday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Friday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm

Surgery Closures: Closed for staff training from 13:00 until the following day on 12 February (Alderton). The specified site is open to book future appointments and access repeat prescriptions. All calls redirected to 111.

Happy Holidays & New Year: We wish all our patients and their loved ones a happy winter holiday and happy new year. We will be closed on 25, 26 December and 1 January). Please call 111 if you need medical help, or 999 in an emergency. We will be open as usual over the rest of the festive period; you can call us for an appointment, or log into your online account – please see our appointments page on our website for more information about these options.

East Anglian Air Ambulance: We are proud to continue supporting the East Anglian Air Ambulance with collection points for clothes and shoes. We have these points at our Alderton and Aldeburgh surgeries where you can bring bagged clothes and shoes to donate. They are very visible in bright yellow!

X-ray at Aldeburgh Cottage Hospital: With special thanks to the League of Friends Committee, Aldeburgh Cottage Hospital's x-ray has been replaced and patients are now able to get x-rays completed at the hospital.

FREE FESTIVE PARKING

To coincide with Christmas lights 'switch ons' and other festive events across the district, East Suffolk Council is offering free parking in council-owned car parks all day on the following dates:

- Southwold Saturday 30 November
- Wickham Market Saturday 30 November
- Lowestoft Saturday 30 November
- Felixstowe Saturday 30 November
- Saxmundham Saturday 7 December
- Leiston Sunday 8 December
- Oulton Broad Sunday 8 December