

# Stambridge

## Parish Council

# Newsletter



Autumn 2016

## Progress at Stambridge Primary School

Stambridge Primary School has had a good school year. The result of a strong focus on basic skills and grammar has been that the reading age of every pupil in the school has gone up and in some cases the children have made more than *36 months'* worth of progress in reading in one year.

But the school has also won awards for Healthy Schools, Outdoor Learning and Sports and, because they are being recognised as a good school, they have been asked to support other schools in the area.

As a result of this improvement, they have had a record number of applicants for this September (over three times as many as they have room for).

Because they have achieved excellent results for Early Years, they will now be opening a not-for-profit Nursery School for 3 year olds run by qualified teachers.

Lee Faris, Executive Head Teacher, summed up the year with

*"What a year we have had at Stambridge Primary School: full of fun, hard work and dedicated families. We cannot wait for September 2016 to start and hope that we can become even more involved in the community. We already have an excellent parent body who support the school and we hope to share the successes of the children with the wider community."*

*We are also very excited about the Nursery School because it will mean children can get an even earlier start to learning in a fun and child development focused way."*



Hindu Day



Science Day



Weekly Drumming session

If anyone wants to visit the school, have a tour of classes or see the teachers in action, they are welcome to contact Mr Faris.

Email: [admin@stambridge.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stambridge.essex.sch.uk) Tel: 01702 544369

### Stambridge Football Club

The club is picking itself up after a difficult time. You may remember that constant wet weather early in the last season made our ground unplayable and so some of the players took weekend jobs. With too few players, they had to leave the Olympian League.

They have now joined a Sunday League and are getting back on their feet.

Other teams are also using the ground in the 2016-17 season and the full list is:

#### Saturday

- Corinthians 1st team
- Corinthians Under 21 Academy.

#### Sunday morning

- Plough & Sail
- Stambridge United (Men's)

#### Sunday afternoon

- Southend Ladies FC

### Where is This?

Here is a new quiz for the observant amongst you. This is somewhere in Stambridge and you have doubtless passed it many times. I know it is a tree, thank you, but just where is it?

Answer bottom of page 3.



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## Stambridge Past

**John Winthrop**, when at Cambridge, knew a fellow student who lived at Great Stambridge Hall. John used to visit Stambridge and so met his friend's sister, Mary Forth. In 1605, they married in Gt. Stambridge Church. She died at his home in Suffolk when she was 32 but John went on to become the first Governor of Massachusetts. There is a window commemorating him in the church, paid for by the Winthrop Society in the USA. One of Mary Forth's children, became the first Governor of Connecticut.



John Winthrop



Pilgrim Window in Stambridge Church

### Mini Marvels Pre School

Mini Marvels Pre School runs daily during term time at Stambridge Memorial Hall. They have a dedicated team of Early Years Educators who hold a minimum of Level 2 childcare qualifications and are firmly committed to offering ALL children from the age of 2yrs up to school age a happy, stimulating and safe environment. This in turn supports the children in learning effectively through play with adult support to guide and enhance their development in all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stages.

The preschool meets Monday to Friday between 9.15am and 12.15pm and Monday to Thursday between 1.30pm and 4.30pm during term time and offers an optional lunch club from 12.30 to 1.15 Monday to Thursday at an additional cost of £4.00 per day.

### Free Disability Sports Sessions

This programme is now catering for those with mental issues or with dementia, as well as more serious physical disabilities so the activities now include, music, skittles, boccia, table tennis, table cricket, archery, darts, painting, fishing and more. On average about 20 people actually attend each week but it has over 50 members.



The sessions are held every Friday afternoon at the Stambridge Memorial Hall from 1430 until 1700. All ages and abilities are welcome to come along and try the activities available.

There is no need to book but for more information, phone 07876 802420, 01702 258566 or email: [memorial-hall@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:memorial-hall@stambridgepc.co.uk)

Transport is provided by the bus belonging to multiple sclerosis Society.



### Stambridge Fisheries Programme

The new fishing programme has changed somewhat to provide a solid course structure offering the opportunity for youths to also obtain qualifications in leadership and management.

There is a new program beginning on 17 September.



To find out more about the Fisheries Programme, email: [community@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:community@stambridgepc.co.uk) or write George Ioannou, Stambridge Memorial Hall, Stambridge Road, Stambridge, SS4-2AR.

### Footpaths

You are bound to have noticed that roadside footpaths are all being replaced and grass verges are still being trimmed. So councillors do sometimes succeed in getting things done!

Some country footpaths are getting quite overgrown. It is the responsibility of the landowners to clear these.

If you have concerns over footpaths, the councillors to contact are George Ioannou ([cllr.george.ioannou@rochford.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.george.ioannou@rochford.gov.uk)) and Pam Holmes ([pam1960@btinternet.com](mailto:pam1960@btinternet.com))



### Sewage Works

No problems have been reported to us recently. If you are aware of any, please contact the Parish Clerk at [clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk) or complain directly to Anglian Water's central call centre 0800 145 145 option-1. .

### Highways

Please report any problems with street lights, potholes and other road issues to the Clerk, together with any information such as pole number, street name or any other details.

### Allotments

We have 26 allotments and if you would like one, please contact the Parish Clerk at the Memorial Hall or email her at [clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk) to see if there are any vacancies.

Plot holders have met and it was agreed to hold quarterly meetings with senior councillors and the clerk. It was also agreed to draw up a new tenancy agreement. The restriction on trees has been slightly relaxed and, in future, all payments for allotments will be made once a year on 1 April and will include water rates. Also the council is exploring the idea of fencing off the whole area for security.

A new gardener has been appointed to look after the vacant plots and surrounds.



The Parish Council runs the **Stambridge Community group on Facebook**. The

address is [www.facebook.com/groups/StambridgeParishCommunity/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/StambridgeParishCommunity/)

We treat our website (see above) as a library, a place to look up information about Stambridge you might need.

Our Facebook page, on the other hand, is more a place where residents can make comments and can post up-to-date news such as road blockages. It has about 250 members and is growing. Do join them.



### Stambridge Website

The process of redesigning the Stambridge Parish Council website is almost complete. There's more that can be done (there always is) but already the menu system has been simplified and we hope that this will make it easier to find the information you want. It is now organised under three main headings: **About Stambridge** (its history, buildings, population), **The Community** (people you might need to contact, facilities and services available locally whether council-run or not), **Parish Council** (its purpose, meetings, and documents). There are also sections **Events** and how to **Contact Us**.

Do take a look at it. let us know what you think of it and how it can be improved. You can email Bernard Crix right from the **Contact Us** page.

#### About Stambridge

*History, Population and Maps*

#### The Community

*People to contact and Facilities*

#### Parish Council

*Who they are and what it does.*

### ELEVATION DANCE STUDIOS

\* NEW CLASSES COMING SOON FOR UP TO AGE 13 - PLEASE CONTACT TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST \*

Wanting to start your little one in a new hobby? We have spaces available in our Sunday morning dance classes and are looking for new budding dancers to join us! Classes are held at Stambridge Memorial Hall - SS4 2AR

- 10.00am - 10.45am - Ages 2-4

- 11.00am - 12.00am - Ages 5-8

**Each lesson includes a mixture of ballet, tap and modern**

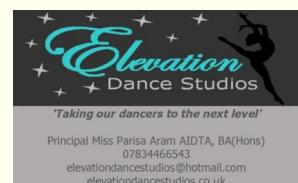
**\*\* FIRST LESSON FREE! \*\***

No dance experience required - All classes are perfect for beginners!

The perfect way to build confidence and make new friends whilst having fun. We give our dancers the opportunity to perform in annual shows and partake examinations if they wish.

For more information or to book your child into their free trial class please contact me:

Principal - Miss Parisa Aram AIDTA, BA (hons)  
07834466543  
[Elevationdancestudios@hotmail.com](mailto:Elevationdancestudios@hotmail.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/Elevationds/>  
[www.elevationdancestudios.co.uk](http://www.elevationdancestudios.co.uk)



### Where Is It? (see page 1)

Stambridge Primary School. You can see this from the road

# What's On

## Stambridge Football Club

The club plays at the Stambridge Memorial Ground currently in a Sunday League.

## Disability Sports

Every Friday 2.30-5.00pm at the Memorial Hall.  
For more information, phone 07876 802420, 01702 258566 or email: [memorialhall@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:memorialhall@stambridgepc.co.uk)

## Mini Marvels

Held at the Memorial Hall, Stambridge Road. Sessions are:  
Mon-Thur: 9.15 am to 4.30 pm  
Fri: 9.15 am to 12.30 pm  
For more information on what they offer, telephone 07981 967604

## Stambridge Fisheries

Stambridge Road, Gt. Stambridge, Rochford, SS4 2AR. Open 24hrs a day, 365 days a year. £5 a rod per day.  
Tel: 01702 258 274.

## St. Mary's and All Saints, Church

Stambridge Road.  
Services are held every Sunday morning at 11.00 am.  
Tel: 01702 544333

## The Cherry Tree

Stambridge Road, near Mill Lane.  
The pub is open daily 12 noon -12 midnight  
Telephone: 01702 543173

## The Royal Oak

In the centre of Gt. Stambridge  
Open all day, everyday 11 am to late  
Tel: 01702 258259

## Stambridge Fisheries Programme

To find out more about this rolling programme for youngsters, email: [community@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:community@stambridgepc.co.uk).

## Rankin's Cricket Club

This very active club has several events every week in the summer. They are listed on their website  
[www.rankins.hitscricket.com](http://www.rankins.hitscricket.com)

## Elevation Dance School

Classes in Ballet, Tap & Modern for ages 2-8.  
Sunday mornings at Stambridge Memorial Hall  
Contact 07834 466543 for more information

## Wednesday Friends' Club

is held at the Stambridge Church Hall between 12-4pm. This is for anyone who wishes to share in a cup of tea and something to eat and it is an active weekly community event.

## Parish Council Website

at [www.stambridgepc.co.uk](http://www.stambridgepc.co.uk) or you can google 'Stambridge parish'.  
There is also a [Stambridge Community Group Facebook page](#). Go to Facebook and search for Stambridge Community.

# Who to Contact

## Stambridge Parish Contacts

### Parish Clerk

Sarah Ioannou (Acting)  
Tel: 07502 226819, 01702 258566  
Email: [clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@stambridgepc.co.uk)

### Responsible Finance Officer

Laine Rowland, (Locum RFO)  
Tel: 07502 226819, 01702 258566  
Email: [RFO@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:RFO@stambridgepc.co.uk)

### Community Centre Manager

Sarah Ioannou  
Tel: 07876 802420, 01702 258566  
Email: [Memorialhall@stambridgepc.co.uk](mailto:Memorialhall@stambridgepc.co.uk)

Postal address for all the above is  
Stambridge Memorial Hall  
Stambridge Road  
Stambridge SS4 2AR

### Councillors

**Cllr George Ioannou**,  
BSc.MBA. (Chairman)  
Mob. 07721-454108  
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[philshaw26@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:philshaw26@hotmail.co.uk)

## District and County Councillors

### Rochford District Council

#### George Ioannou

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#### Nick Cooper

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### Essex County Council

#### Terry Cutmore

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Ashingdon, SS4 3HN. 01702 544511  
Email: [cllr.terry.cutmore@rochford.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.terry.cutmore@rochford.gov.uk)

## Member of Parliament :

### Mark Francois

is the MP for our constituency (Rayleigh and Wickford). You can write to him at:  
Rt Hon Mark Francois MP  
House of Commons  
London SW1A 0AA

## Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

Is a charity which can be used by all of our community. You can contact the Bureau on 03444 770808 or at [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk), [www.rochfordcab.org.uk](http://www.rochfordcab.org.uk).  
for advice and volunteering opportunities.



<b>Chemist</b>	Co-op Pharmacy (Rochford) Golden Cross Pharmacy (Ashingdon) Nutan Pharmacy (Ashingdon) Rochford Pharmacy (Rochford)	01702 544162 01702 544104 01702 548452 01702 542700	<b>Library</b>	Rochford Library Hullbridge Library Home Library Service	01702 546688 01702 230868 0845 603 7628
<b>Doctors</b>	Riverside Medical Centre (Hullbridge) Puzey Family Practice (Rochford) Rochford Medical Centre (Rochford) Ashingdon Medical Centre (Ashingdon) The Practice (Ashingdon)	01702 230555 01702 533740 0845 408 1299 01702 414970 01702 547828	<b>Police</b>	In an emergency dial 999 Essex Police non-emergency enquiries Neighbourhood Watch	999 101 01268 770519
<b>Churches</b>	Ashingdon St Andrews Ashingdon Elim Ashingdon United Free Church Hawkehill Baptist Church Hullbridge Free Church Rochford Congregational Rochford Community Church Rochford Methodist Church St Andrews Rochford St Teresas R.C. Church Rochford St. Mary's and All Saints, Stambridge	01702 549318 01702 548438 01702 540639 01702 542000 01702 233164 01702 546576 01702 545633 01268 770333 01702 530621 01702 544334 01702 544333	<b>Schools</b>	Ashingdon School Greensward Academy Holt Farm Infant School Holt Farm Junior School Riverside Primary School Rochford Primary & Nursery School St Teresa's Catholic Primary School Stambridge Primary School The King Edmund School Waterman Primary School Mini Marvels	01702 202857 01702 202571 01702 544058 01702 545131 01702 230911 01702 544342 01702 547918 01702 544369 01702 545771 01702 546237 07981 967604
<b>Local Gov</b>	Essex County Council Stambridge Parish Council	08457 430430 07502 226819	<b>CAB</b>	Citizens Advice Bureau	03444 770808
<b>Helplines</b>	Age UK Info & Advice Alcoholics Anonymous Childline Citizens Advice Bureau National Debtline NHS	0800 169 656 0845 769 7555 0800 1111 0844 4770808 0808 800 4000 111	<b>Helplines</b>	National Drugs Freephone RSPCA Samaritans Shelter Victim Support line	0800 776900 0300 1234 999 01702 611911 0808 800 4444 0845 3030 900