



Martin School youngsters get stuck in to some of their five a day. Photo by Rachel Ellis.

Easter Services in East Finchley

All Saints Parish Church:
Palm Sunday 17 April, 10am, Solemn Mass with Blessing of Palms, Procession and Sung Passion. **Maundy Thursday 21 April**, 8pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper and Watch until midnight. **Good Friday 22 April**, 3pm, Sung Celebration of the Lord's Passion. **Holy Saturday 23 April**, 8pm, The Easter Vigil. **Easter Day 24 April**, 10am, Parish Mass of Easter Day.

St Mary's Catholic Church:
Palm Sunday 17 April Blessing of Palms & Procession at all the Masses, 8.30am, 10am and 12 noon; Stations of the Cross at 6.30pm. **Monday 18 April**, 10am, Mass with Morning Prayer; 7.30pm, Service of Reconciliation, 7.30pm. **Tuesday 19 April**, 10am, Mass with Morning Prayer. **Wednesday 20 April**, 10am, Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion. **Maundy Thursday 21 April**, 8pm, Evening Mass of The Lord's Supper. **Good Friday 22 April**, Annual Walk of Witness; 3pm, Celebration of The Lord's Passion; 7.30pm, Stations of the Cross. **Holy Saturday 23 April**, 8pm, The Easter Vigil. **Easter Sunday 24 April**, Mass at 8.30am, 10am and 12 noon.

Holy Trinity Church
Palm Sunday 17 April, 10am, Blessing of Palms, Procession and Parish Communion. **Maundy Thursday 21 April**, 7.30pm, Washing of the Feet, Sung Communion. **Good Friday 22 April**, 10am, Liturgy of Good Friday. **Easter Sunday 24 April**, 10am, Festival Eucharist.

East Finchley Methodist Church
Maundy Thursday 21 April United Service 8pm (at Ballards Lane Methodist Church) Holy Communion. **Good Friday 22 April**, 10.30am "Reflections on the Cross". **Easter Day Sunday 24 April** 10.30am, Celebration Service: Holy Communion Crèche, Easter egg hunt, refreshments.

East Finchley Baptist Church
Friday 22 April, 10.30am, Good Friday Service, including communion (with crèche for 0-3 year olds). **Easter Sunday 24 April**, 10.30am with children's and youth activities.

Pupils take pick of the crop

By Rachel Ellis

Parents of pupils at Martin Primary School can now pick up their weekly fruit and vegetables on the school run. The new scheme allows parents to buy organic fruit and veg while at the same time raising money for the school.

Orders are delivered to the school every Wednesday and 25 per cent of all sales go directly to the school. Dozens of parents have so far signed up to the Farmer's Choice Fundraising for Schools scheme, which started at the beginning of the year.

Maria Nielson, of the Parent Carer and Teacher Association which is running the scheme, said: "Parents have reacted very positively to the variety, quality and the quantity of the produce. They've also commented that they have enjoyed trying out the new recipes included in the bags and being more adventurous in their choice of family meals."

All the organic fruit and vegetables are provided by Abel and Cole and it is a not-for-profit scheme. A list of the contents, which varies from week to week, is posted up on the Abel and Cole website. Vegetable bags cost £5, fruit bags £6.50 and £7 for a mixture of both.

Orders can be placed weekly or for the half term and are available to collect from the school playground. The PCTA hopes to raise at least £400 per term for the school.

Headteacher Helen Morrison said: "I'm pleased that we have a healthy, sustainable way to raise money for the school."

A friendly welcome awaits you

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Finchley Cricket Club ready for 2011 season

By Steven Selwood, Head Coach

Finchley is the only club in Barnet or Haringey with Premier League status and is one of only a handful of clubs in the country with Premier League men's and women's teams. Having agreed with Barnet Council a 150-year lease on the ground at East End Road, the club now has a secure long-term future and so can continue to welcome new members. Qualified coaches and umpires are also welcome.

The club puts particular emphasis on encouraging women's cricket and developing young talent. Finchley has joined forces with Gunnersbury WCC who will now be known as Finchley Gunns. They have several international and county players which is really encouraging for the ever-growing profile of the women's game. Finchley now has over 40 girl members with three teams and three women's teams.

The club has never been in such a strong position regarding youth player development. In 2010, Ross Sutcliffe at 14 became the youngest ever Premier League player. Fred Daeche-Marshall, Middlesex Academy player, is currently in Perth where he is training on the Justin Langer Programme and playing first-grade cricket. Teenager Daisy Moore's achievements have, of course, already been recorded in previous editions of *THE ARCHER*.

The club also has a large social membership and can be hired for private and company matches and functions. So why not drop in? You'll get a warm welcome from me, Josh Knappett (1st XI Captain) and the rest of the team. For further information, call the club on 020 8346 1822 or me on 07968 758220.

World-class lodgers

By Pamela Kent

I call them 'my boys'. Four first-class cricketers, currently playing in the World Cup in India, lodged with me in Hamilton Road during their training for county signings.

The most famous is Eoin Morgan who plays for Middlesex and England. He started training for Middlesex County at The Academy in East End Road during his school holidays from Dublin and lodged with me from the age of 16, staying during the cricket seasons for five years until he bought his own home a couple of years ago.

Boyd Rankin, now a fast bowler for Warwickshire and Ireland, stayed with me for a couple of years whilst training and playing for Middlesex. Certainly a character to look up to, being over 6ft 8in tall and wearing size 15 shoes at

the age of 18!

Gary Wilson stayed until he was signed by Surrey as their wicket keeper. The Oval was too far for him to travel to each day from East Finchley, so he moved to a flat in Kennington. He is now wicket keeper for Ireland.

William Porterfield, former Gloucestershire captain and now captain of Ireland, also stayed for a couple of years whilst training at The Academy.

So, even if you're not a cricket fan, watch out for these guys. They were famous East Finchley residents. And you heard it first in *THE ARCHER*.

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