

August is one of my favourite months – the children are off school, work (if you're lucky) slows down and we get at least some days of glorious sunshine. There are the possibilities of treats like picnics in the country, trips to the beach or perhaps a summer holiday. If you are still in Datchworth children can take part in the All Saints activity day on the 8th August (see p 4).

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Let's remember to make the most of the summer – forget about clearing out the cupboards and keeping the kitchen floor clean – that can all wait until September!

We have got another busy edition this month. We have introduced a new column, "How to be Green", with new tips each month on how to help the environment. Datchworth People this month meets a stalwart of the village many of you will know, Jessie Little, and in Nature Spot, we learn about the Large Blue butterfly – once endangered but now on the up!

Finally a big thank you to Nina Nettell who handled the onerous task of organising magazine delivery for a long time - far longer than she intended! She has now handed over the reins to Amanda but will continue to do her own "round" - thank you again Nina.

Sara Miller

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