Dittisham Village Voice 16th December 2013

Look behind you! It's Panto time in Dittisham! Rehearsals are well under way and our immensely talented set designers are working their magic transforming our village hall into Neverland. It will be amazing. Peter Pan tickets are on sale now from John Wells 01803 722414 and they really are selling fast. Performances start at 6.30pm on 9th, 10th and 11th January. Adults £8 and children are free. Seats are numbered, so the earlier you book, the better the seat.

After the production why not hotfoot it over to the The Red Lion Inn where Penny and Brigitte will be waiting to welcome you with a post theatre menu served each evening.

The Alan Bennett Talking Heads production earlier this month was a huge success. Gina Carter and Sally Vincent wowed the packed village hall audience with their brilliant performances. Well done girls you were amazing. Behind the scenes Jane Bibby produced a wonderful three-course meal. Thank you so much Jane for all your hard work. Thank you also to Charles Hill for running the all-important bar.

Where would our village be without the village hall? Almost all of our social events and drama productions take place here and Dittisham would be lost without it. The hall needs your support for maintenance and its general day-to-day running costs. If you are already a supporter of the Village Hall 100 Club please note that January 10th is the date for renewal of your standing order. If not then please do think about buying a ticket or starting a standing order to support our hall. Each month there is a draw with three lucky winners receiving a cash prize. You can buy just one, or as many tickets as you would like, each ticket costs £24. Further details from Robin Sjoberg on 01803 722358 or any Village Hall Committee member will be delighted to tell you more and sell you a ticket. Go on, your village hall needs you.

The Ferry Boat Inn's annual Christmas raffle tickets are on sale now. Have fun buying your tickets at the bar and even more fun when the draw takes place on Christmas Eve at about 9pm. There will be a huge selection of prizes including cash – now who can resist that?

And finally, just where has this year gone? It has whizzed by. It's been an eventful year, we had a lot of good times and some very sad times losing loved village friends who will not be forgotten. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my regular contributors especially Helen, Jenny, Robin and Edith. I'll be back after Christmas. In the meantime, have a great Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year.