



## Village Shop News Update

Shop Telephone – 01295 760066



**Shop opening hours:** Monday 8 am – 1 pm      Tuesday to Friday 8 am – 6 pm  
Saturday 8.30 am – 3 pm      Sunday 9 am – 12 noon

**Post Office opening hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 1 pm

As summer begins to morph into autumn, ice-cream sales have started to taper off but the demand for fresh raspberries and strawberries and other summer fare is still holding up. With the weather set fair for the next few weeks, we can look forward to some more opportunities to enjoy a glass of wine in the garden or cremate a few sausages on the barbecue - and the shop is on standby to supply your needs. You will be pleased to hear that our Prosecco stocks are healthy and we always keep a bottle in the chiller to cater for that last minute "Oh - why not" moment.

We have quite a few new lines this month including a range of healthy still fruit-drinks called 'J20' (nope - no idea) which come in 'apple & raspberry' and 'orange & passionfruit' flavours, small boxes of the very popular Monty Bojangles chocs and some stem ginger and lemon cookies.

This month, the shop will be holding a tasting of a new range of Piper's Snacks called "Crispeas" in all sorts of weird and wonderful flavours including English Mint, Matar Paneer(??) and Salsa Verde. Wacky or what? They are gluten-free, low calorie and rich in fibre - so all together good for you.

We are rapidly approaching the "Peak Fruit" time of year so if any of you have an excess of garden produce and are wondering what to do with it - the shop would be happy to accept your donations of any fruit or veg - so long as they are not full of holes or crawling with caterpillars or wasps.

We would all like to welcome our new shop co-supervisor, Alice, who has now formally joined the team. Alice has been learning the ropes of back-office management under the expert tutelage of Tracey who, very sadly, will soon be leaving us. We had a farewell gathering for Tracey in the Star at the end of August and it was great to see so many people turn up. Good luck for the future, Tracey - Sulgrave will miss you.

It must get a bit boring reading the same thing every month - but yes - sales at the shop are still booming with yet another improvement on the same period last year. Who would have thought when the shop first opened for business fourteen years ago that it would be such a success and become the beating heart of Sulgrave. Onwards and upwards.

Digby and Alison