MARTIN AMIS. WHO IS 65 TOMORROW. WAS **EXPELLED FROM SCHOOL (HE WENT TRUANT**

TO APPEAR IN THE FILM A HIGH WIND IN

JAMAICA). THESE WERE EXPELLED TOO...

Kris Marshall (for "a multitude of sins")

Jon Pertwee (for refusing to play a Greek

"wind" during a lesson and also for writing

graffiti about the tutors on the toilet walls)

Dave Davies of The Kinks (for having sex with his

Dame Beryl Bainbridge (for getting caught

it, written by someone else, in her gymslip

Salma Hayek (for setting alarm clocks back three

Robert Southey (for writing a magazine article in The Flagellant condemning flogging in

Nicolas Cage (for putting dead grasshoppers

Monty Don ("for putting nettles down girls' knickers

Russell Brand (for always being "in corridors

 In 2004, a swarm of desert locusts flew across. west and north Africa, causing damage calculated to

● The longest anyone has gone without sleep

The Simpsons episode Lisa The Vegetarian it was

became a hit in 1966, its singer Ray Davies was

confronted by people coming up to him singing "Oh

One person in four has had their identity

Has anyone ever been disqualified from the

House Of Commons for being a "lunatic"?

In the 19th century MPs tried, and failed, to eject

those they termed "lunatics" (permanently) from the

House of Commons and so in 1886 they passed the

Lunacy (Vacating of Seats) Act. This was repealed

and replaced by Mental Health Acts, most recently

by the Mental Health (Discrimination) Act 2013.

The answer to the question seems to be once Charles Leach was a Liberal MP (for Colne Valley)

who also served as a chaplain to the Armed Forces during the First World War. In 1915 the strain of this

and his parliamentary duties led to a nervous

breakdown and he was committed to a private

lunatic asylum suffering from "an unsound mind,

brain deterioration and loss of memory". Some eight

months later, his seat was declared vacant under the

August 25, 1916, the Liberal candidate was elected

1886 Lunacy Act. At the resulting by-election on

stolen or knows someone who has

THIS WEEK'S IMPONDERABLE...

That is the background.

unopposed to succeed him

vou answers (Pablo Picasso

WISE WORDS..

on the condition that

Lisa, who became

episode, would

When kept

remain one

a vegetarian in that

indoors, the cut

flowers of the

attract and kill

When Dedicated

Follower Of Fashion

crinkle bush

and getting more black marks in one term than

Gabriel Byrne (for smoking in a graveyard)

anyone else in their entire school career")

in the egg salad on picnic day)

THIS WEEK'S PONDERABLES...

have exceeded more than £125million

is 18 days. 21 hours and 40 minutes

• When Sir Paul McCartney "appeared" in

with a "dirty rhyme" as she later describe

girlfriend on Hampstead Heath)

Westminster School)

with girls")

Did vou

by Mitchell

Symons

WIN £17,777 PHONE LINES CLOSE MIDNIGHT TOMORROW!

Vin £17,77

paid for doing something I

enjoy! ""

D. Harrison, Derbyshire; Won £3500

Here's your chance to claim This is the first time I've been

1. **This is the first time I've been**

1. **This is the we're giving all UK residents who qualify and are over 18 the chance to Win Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Seven Pounds

All you have to do is find THREE MISSING WORDS from the puzzle opposite and activate your entry by telephoning before midnight tomorrow.

You will also be given the opportunity to win an additional £1000 in our hidden mystery word competition! Simply find the seven letter word that is hidden within the grid but NOT listed in any of the three word lists.

The good news, should you be drawn the winner, is that we can now transfer the £17,777 cash prize directly to your bank account via a simple and easy electronic bank transfer. However, if you would prefer a cheque in the post, this can be arranged too - it's your choice!

TESTIMONIALS

As with all our cash what it's like to be a prize puzzle winners winner upon receiving of £1,000 or more, the prize money. **Call** we ask that if you're now for the chance to Win a winner, you would £17,777 Cash! Hurry, the send us a photograph phone line closes at Midnight

and letter telling us Tomorrow!

Leave your puzzle answers on: 0906 661 3758*

Word List 1

PYTHAGORAS NEWTON ARISTOTLE HAWKING

ROUSSEAU HIPPOCRATES

Word List 3 CONFUCIUS DESCARTES EINSTEIN

FRANKLIN

AQUINAS

PLATO

TURING

GALILEO EPICURUS

Find our

TYVEAORRINJAI RJKASRTAUNFKWKI

NEWTONTLTSAULKGEC SACVBREEEASCOIHTV

REQMTSDSUEIPNJR

AROUSSEAUUEGD

VCACTCUUOHH

GALILEORSAS TURINGFAZ

ACHIEVE

PLATO

mystery word hidden in the grid - but NOT listed in the word lists - for the chance to win

an extra £1000!

Call costs £1.53 per min and lasts 3 mins. Network extras apply. Max call cost £4.60

As a responder to this promotion you may receive offers from Wynnington Ltd and other third party companies. If you do not wish to receive these offers please write to us at Wynnington Opt Out. PO Box 100, Blackburn, BB2 9FL or call 0808 129 0484. YOU MUST BE A UK RESIDENT OVER 18 TO PARTICIPATE. MOBILES OR PUBLIC PAYPHONES ARE CHARGED CONSIDERABLY MORE. *At the end of the call you're given the option to transfer to another phone line to register your answer for the extra £1000 Hidden Mystery Word Competition. If you choose to do so the second call will last 3 minutes and cost £1.53 per minute. Maximum call cost £4.60. Network extras apply. Maximum call cost to enter both competitions combined is £9.20. The Cash Extravaganza may be promoted via different forms and layouts of print and online media and may include different puzzle variations. Each correct entrant is allocated a unique number between 1 and 577,777. Prizes available: 1 x £17,777; 12 x Secondary Prizes of £1000; 57 x Minor Prizes of £150. One winning number will be independently drawn for each available prize and if there is an exact match with an active entry the prize will be awarded. Alternative free postal entry: send your name, address and original completed puzzle sheet to customer services, marking your envelope 'Cash Extravaganza'. Approximate odds of winning a cash prize: 1:8253. Draw date: 07/11/2014. The extra £1000 Hidden Mystery Word Competition is run in conjunction with a number of other Wynnington competitions and requires entrants to identify the 7 letter hidden mystery word in any one of these separate Wynnington puzzles. The 1x £1,000 prize will be drawn on 29/12/2014. Wynnington are not responsible for printing or technical errors, or events outside their reasonable control, and reserve the right to amend competition rules to ensure a fair competition if required. All winners' information, testimonials and photographs may be used for publicity purposes without further consent. Actors' photos may be used. Our Registered Office is 23 Shackleton Court, 2 Maritime Quay, LONDON, E14 3QF but all competition related queries should be directed to Wynnington Customer Services below. This promotion is not connected to this publication. Wynnington Ltd is registered in Great Britain no: 8271507 T/A Cash Extravaganza. Copyright by Wynnington Ltd 2014. 1836

Wynnington Customer Services, Cash Extravaganza, PO Box 100, Blackburn, BB2 9FL or call 0125 450 3585.

CHAS'S ROCK'N ALLOT

OT INVITED to the seed and plant company Chompson & Morgan's rial grounds and xcitedly accepted. Me nd my wife Joan turned up there a few mornings back. Note "mornings"

That's how much I wanted to go. I actually got up in the morning! The only friendly mornings to me normally are the wee small hours. My usual day begins at the crack of noon.

It was a joy and a nice chap called Kris Collins did a good job showing us round, pointing out all the interesting and experimental stuff they were getting up to. As I'm a worshipper of tomatoes, they grabbed my attention and yes, the "Tomtato" was the star of the show. It was a tomato plant whose roots not only performed the vital job of sucking up the water and nutrients but were

'Going to pickle a jarful of nice cucumbers'

quietly turning themselves into potatoes as the tomatoes were doing their stuff, becoming fat spuds by the time the tomatoes were all done (sort of like a British Stepford wife: "Not only have I produced a tasty roast beef dinner for you darling, but all the while, as I was shuffling here and there roasting, I've managed to knit you a Spurs scarf, with me feet.").

The fruit of the Tomtatoes tasted good as well. In fact Joan voted 'em top in a tomato tasting of about five different varieties.

Picking some nice ridge cucumbers from the plot now. Definitely going to pickle a jarful Got a good Jewish pickled cucumber recipe I've used before. Cut each cucumber into four lengthwise. In half too if they are long. Then for the pickling juice you need half a pint of water, half a pint of white wine vinegar, half a tablespoon of salt, one tablespoon of sugar, 10 black peppercorns (crush a few), one garlic clove chopped in half and a

Now the policeman wants the tree.

But no one knows where it can be

bunch of fresh dill. Put all in a jar and give it a shake. Top up with half and half vinegar and water if need be. Store in the fridge and you can start eating in a couple of days if you want but they will keep for much longer if vou can manage to leave 'em alone!

Picked first runner beans a week ago. I sowed 'em a bit late but it ain't a bad idea really. I'll get a longer run at the end of the season. Pick your beans regular, don't let 'em get so that you can see the beans swelling too much. They will be stringy and one stringy one will spoil the dinner Keep 'em in a polythene bag in

the fridge 'til vou need 'em. Gigs are going great. Enjoying myself and getting paid for it! Can't argue with that, can ya? Lovely one at Lulworth Castle a couple of weeks back and Cropredy last week and then the good old Brighton Concorde 2.

Me and Dave were well gutted when wind damaged the main stage at the Boomtown Festival the other Sunday, though, stopping us and other bands performing. Back there next vear though.

TILL A bit of daylight left when I got home so I biked round the allotment for a bit. The soil is marvellous. No need to water. The rain at last, has been quite plentiful. There ain't much clay in my soil and it soon dries out but it's

looking good now. I love rain. I reckon I was probably a Savoy cabbage in my pre-Chas life. I really feel for plants that are wanting for water. They can't walk about and find it can they? Imagine that you're a cabbage growing by a pond. You see people walking by. You are dying that plastic bucket and scoop up some of that pond water and pour it over my head! But they don't. They're all right Jack. Got themselves a pint of cider from the pub and don't give a monkeys about you. Ain't even noticed you. So you just sit there waiting for a caring, feeling plant-lover or for

So, have I made myself clear? Don't let your plants go thirsty!

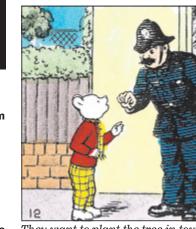


SUNDAY AFTERNOON: TRIVIA

Picture: LUKE SANTILLI

of thirst. Please someone, get that glorious rain that people always moan about.

• Chas & Dave's autobiography All About Us by Chas Hodges is published by John Blake (£7.99) Upcomina Chas & Dave gigs Orchard Theatre, Dartford, September 6, (01322 220 000). An Audience With Chas Hodges (hosted by Goodmaze and Shed). The Corringham Hall. Corringham, Essex, October 26 (0844 561 7107)



They want to plant the tree in town,

mitchellsymons@columnist.com

Computers are useless. They can only give

And The Little Tree

EPISODE 12 As Rupert leaves the children a familiar

Kupert

figure comes striding towards him. "Hi, little bear," the policeman hails him

cheerfully, "you were running after that weird tree. Where has it gone?" 'I've lost sight of it," says Rupert.

"I think you frightened it. It doesn't want to be dug up or cut down.

"No one means to do that now!" policeman declares.

"Our Town Clerk has never seen such a thing in his life. He wants to give that tree the best place in the town!'

To order the Rupert Annual for 2015 No. 79 (out now) at £7.99 wth free UK delivery, please call 0871 988 8370 or send a cheque/PO to

The Official Classic Rupert Bear Shop, PO Box 200. Falmouth TR11 4WJ; or order it online at classicrupertbearshop.com. UK delivery is free