NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our newsletter at this season of 'mists and mellow fruitfulness'. We aim to sow seeds in our local schools and communities on behalf of local churches and pray that the Spirit will see those seeds bear fruit in the lives of children and young people in our area. Please read on for an overview of where we have been and currently are active locally:

THE SUMMER OF '22

We were delighted to have been able to deliver our full range of programmes this summer, particular our workshops and retreat days in schools and our summer activities week.

TRANSITION PROGRAMME YEAR 6 MOVING ON WORKSHOPS AND RETREAT DAYS

There are many milestones as children and young people make their way through their educational pathways but are there any more significant than when children make the step-up from the end of junior school to the beginning of secondary school? There are so many changes to adjust to, having lessons in different classes with specialist subject teachers, new timetables, uniform, discipline, extra homework (via online portals) new friendship groups and more.

TTT delivers a free 'Moving On' workshop to local junior and primary schools that comprises practical interactive activities designed to support moving pupils' thinking towards the secondary experience in areas such as organisation, ownership, and orientation (navigating a new school site) in order to get to the right place, at the right time, with the right equipment and a ready to learn attitude. Heads of school and Year 6 place a high value on these workshops that build on the transition work they have been doing with Year 6 pupils in their final term:

"I have worked with the Trinity Trust Team for the last 10 years in different schools and have always been impressed with the bespoke assemblies they offer, the after-school clubs and in particular the moving on workshops for children about to leave junior school and enter their secondary education. The workshops acknowledge that whilst it is an exciting time of their life, a growing number of children require the support and advice that the TTT offers."

Adam Samson, Head, Godalming Junior School

In addition to the practical support we offer local junior schools through these workshops, we also facilitate away days or quiet days that, over the years, have made use of such spaces as Wintershall and Ladywell. This summer we were blessed with the use of the barn and gardens at Richard Grey's in Elstead where we hosted the Barrow Hills Year 8, the year they leave the school. We discussed in small groups some of the challenges and opportunities that await them and shared some of the Alpha Youth resources to equip and empower the children in the Spirit.

"I have attended numerous retreat days with our Year 8 children as part of their post summer events programme. It is a day like no other in such a positive way. Peaceful surroundings away from school and working with the Trinity Trust Team who completely understand the teenage brain! It is one of the few times our children have, to deeply reflect on their time at Barrow Hills, what they have learnt and how they have grown and progressed as individuals. They also have time to think about the next phase in their lives and all the possible new opportunities they will have at their next schools. The whole day is both reflective, spiritual, and fun and pitched perfectly for children of this age."

Paul Crisell Deputy Head, Barrow Hills DSL Safeguarding & Head of Theology, Philosophy and Religion

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YEAR 7 INTAKE DAYS

Having spent time with Year 6 children supporting their transition into Year 7 (state schools) we then form part of the Intake Team at both Rodborough and Broadwater schools when the students go for their orientation days. To keep a positive continuity, we deliver team building exercises for the new intake, helping the students to bond with their peers.

"We also benefit from TTT input at our year 6 - 7 transition. Andy and team have great links with many of our feeder primary schools. The team have run team building sessions which have helped improve relationships and allay fears at transition time. Our pupils very much appreciate and benefit from their high-quality input."

Judith Spencer, Head of Pastoral Support and Assistant Head, Rodborough

SUMMER ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME MONDAY 25TH - FRIDAY 29TH JULY

Another highlight of the summer was being able to offer our most subsidised activities offer to date, thanks to the funding from the National Lottery Reaching Communities fund. Young people from local secondary schools joined us for a fun packed four days that included a trip to Thorpe Park, karting at Farnborough, paintballing at Cobham, kayaking, aqua park and mega-boards at Chichester Water Sports and to Three Peaks at Barfield for Quadbikes, low ropes, crate stacking, aeroball and archery. The weather was kind to us, the take up from the young people was excellent and we got lots of great feedback from parents who appreciated the trips and how accessible the programme was.









WEEKLY GROUPS & PROGRAMMES - TERM TIME AND FREE!

- Wowza! Monday after school club at Godalming Junior School
- Loseley Fields Youth Café (Monday 6:30pm-8pm, ages 11+)
- Fusion Children's Club, Godalming Baptist Church (Wed 6pm-7pm, Years 3-6)
- Fuse Discipleship Group, Godalming Baptist Church (Wed 7:30pm-9pm, Year 7+)
- · Alpha Christian Union, Rodborough School (Thursday lunchtime, open to all)
- Alpha Christian Union at Broadwater School (Thursday lunchtime, open to all)
- Friday Club/outreach at Aarons Hill/St Mark's Church (Friday from 5pm)

Thank you! For continuing to support the work of TTT through your prayer and financial support. Thank you also to Julian Lewry Music for the charity concert held in St John's Farncombe with TTT a beneficiary alongside CAFOD. Please pray that we will continue to have amazing gospel opportunities in our local schools, churches and communities and the resources to build the team and broaden the mission fields.

Andy Poulsom (Team Director) on behalf of all those at TTT.

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