

# Youth Worker's Newsletter

## October 2021

### School Work

This month was shorter due to half term but in that time, we finished the last two lines of the school prayer which were

- Guide us to show compassion to others.
- Open our eyes, allow us to appreciate your world and revere you in all that we do

We ended the term with two end of term activities. They included a nursery service in the school in which I talked about Harvest as a rainbow of all of God's amazing creation and how we need to be kind to others. As I spoke, we grew a rainbow. Then we had our end of term church service and the church was full with the school children and parents. The school brought their Harvest gifts to St Margaret's and laid them at the altar.



### Yodah School Group

Our Yodah School Group continues to amaze me, the young people continue to ask to lead our closing prayer and this is helping them to grow in a prayer life as they build more confidence in leading prayer but also, they are praying out loud which many people struggle with.

This month at our Yodah schools' group we have cake decorated (cakes made by Dorothy) which were very yummy, designed coasters and created a patchwork about Yodah which we will be displaying in the church shortly.



### Yodah Youth Group

Our group has been having loads of fun recently and have also been thinking of others, our activities have been sweet bingo, biscuit making and shoe box appeal.



### May Camp

We are still talking with all the young people to encourage them to attend May camp 2022 as a total across both the school and youth group we have given 20 letters out and we are hoping to get some of the young people to sign up.

May Camp includes 3 nights camping, 4 fully packed days of worship, teaching and fun. Also included are all meals and a youth group hoody so everyone feels included in the group.

If anyone would like to make a donation to either help support a young person to attend or just to help cover the costs of us attending it would be very gratefully received and can be done through <https://www.beaconparish.co.uk/yodah-campaign>.

## Acorns

This term we had a visit from the Acorn's nursery group to St Martin's Westmeston for their Harvest service. We had lots of young people bringing gifts and this time some parents join us for this service. We looked at Harvest as a rainbow and how God created all fruits and vegetables in every colour of the rainbow and we also grew a rainbow.



## Funding Support

As many of you know I do lots of different events and activities for the young people. This is only possible through your support to the continuation of my job role and equipment for the event.

I know that times are tough for everyone and lots of people are asking for financial support but if you want to see the Church reach the young people of the villages of the Parish then I would really ask you to pray and discern what God is calling you to give to this work. I know you may not always see everything as I do but I can full heartedly tell you I have built up lots of connections with the young people and it would be amazing to carry on building these connections and to keep sowing the seeds of faith.

I would also like to personally thank everyone for their Harvest gifts these have been well used within the food bank already in supporting local people in and around the local area

Blessings

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