



Proclaiming Good News

Jesus travelled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. Luke 8:1

You are important

We have good news to proclaim and in the last few years around 60 schools have welcomed us. We are so grateful for your support prayerfully, financially and in giving your time.

In line with new regulations
if you have been posted this newsletter - we need you to reply with your permission to keep sending you news.
There are 2 ways to play...

- ❖ Email: Jonny jonny.bayes@niscu.org.uk It would also help our finances if you were able to swap to the emailed newsletter.
- ❖ Or write: NISCU NL Office, Torrisholme Methodist Church, Norwood Drive, Torrisholme, LA4 6LT

Our lessons, assemblies, clubs and events are so important - but so are you - without you this couldn't happen. In the first quarter of this year we saw our finances dwindle a little. God has control, but as a North Lancs team we have had to make choices about the way forward within these limits. If you would like to help please ask us for a giving form, or contact the Central Office where finances are handled...

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Thank you again for supporting us as we take the message of the Bible into schools. Our churches sadly are not full of children, but our schools are and whilst there are opportunities to proclaim the good news we will be finding ways to do that effectively. Debbie

What's Coming Up?

May

- 11 OLCC Day with a Difference - Faith in Action
St Peters lesson - what makes a good leader
- 15 Silverdale lessons - Church
Sandylands - Baptism lesson
- 16 Glasson Dock - Pentecost lessons
- 18 Christ Church Carnforth Prayer & Pentecost
- 21 Bolton le Sands RE Day (Jesus Stories)
- 22 Christ Church Lancaster Outdoor Prayer Spaces
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- 25 Ripley Spirituality Day - Relationships

June

- 4 Support Meeting (Committee)
- 7 Glasson Dock Forgiveness lessons
- 8 Winmarleigh Church and Pentecost lessons
- 10 Nether Kellet Congregational Church
- 11 New Bible Challenge planning with Blackburn Diocese
- 11-15 Morecambe High Sin & Salvation lessons Yr9
- 12 Christ Church Carnforth KS2 lessons
- 13 Nether Kellet assembly (tbc)
- 18 Capernwray Encouragement Evening
- 19 Scorton Pentecost & Church lessons
Dolphinholme "Tricky Questions!" Yr5/6
- 20 St Bernadette's assembly
- 22 Garstang St Thomas's lessons all day
(Joseph, Pentecost, Jesus & Transition)
- 24 Hest Bank URC
- 25 Open Office for Prayer
Moorside & Ryelands Transition lessons
- 26 Overton Transition lesson

July

- 1 Torrisholme Church of the Ascension (tbc)
- 2 Glasson - Paul's Journeys & Transition lessons
- 3 AGM & Thanksgiving at Father's House
- 8 Stanley Rd Baptist
- 9 Ridge school visit to Church (LBC) (tbc)
- 10 Dolphinholme Transition lesson
- 13 Resolute (joint church youth event)
- 16 Team Training Day
- 17 Puppets at Poulton le Sands

TRANSITION LESSONS HAVE NOT YET BEEN ADVERTISED
- AROUND 26 SCHOOLS BOOKED US LAST YEAR)

Assemblies & Transition



Caterpillars have 4000 muscles, 12 eyes and only 6 real legs (the others are fake, apparently). They also turn into butterflies (you might have known that - but don't tell Debbie she's scared of them). In a similar way Samuel and David were small, insignificant boys when God came calling and transformed them into mighty (and Godly) leaders. No matter how tall (or short), handsome, strong or brave you are, God has a plan for you. So even if you're feeling a little caterpillary remember God can see your potential. This has been the subject of our latest round of primary assemblies, which I only agreed to join in with on the promise that I could dress up as a caterpillar. Debbie consented because it was either me or her.

The assembly is also a useful lead in to our upcoming, Year 6 transition lessons, where we talk with classes about their move to High School - what they're going to face and what exciting new opportunities they will have. Hopefully I will have emerged from my cocoon before September in order to help them settle in to life in Year 7.

Jonny

Schools Visiting Churches

The second half of last term was extremely busy but provided such good opportunities to contact schools and take the Easter Story to so many children. I was greatly encouraged that we managed to bring so many community schools in to the local churches for the 'Walk Through Easter.' Willow Lane and Dallas Road visited the Priory, Great Wood and Torrisholme, Torrisholme Methodist, Poulton Le Sands and Morecambe Bay visited the Parish Church and West End School came to Stanley Road Baptist.

Some of the worries that children wrote on the leaves in the Garden of Gethsemane were heart breaking and have given the team greater incentive to see how we can look for ways to connect with these children in different ways other than lessons and assemblies and possibly bring people in from the churches. On a positive note, the comments the children left behind on the Road to Emmaus were encouraging, detailing what they had learned from their experience. **I learned** 'Jesus is always there for you,' 'To forgive the people who hurt you,' 'That Christians pray when they want to forgive,' 'That Easter is all about Jesus and not chocolate.' A wonderful experience for everybody involved!

Diana

Prayer with NISCU Team Monday 25th June

10.00am NISCU NL Office
Torrisholme Methodist Church
Everyone Welcome



If you work or volunteer in a school you are invited to our

Encouragement Evening Mon 18th June

Meal at 6.30pm
Speaker Jonathan Halsey
(New Director of Capernwray Hall
and once a NISCU pupil on our
Summer Camps!).

Book your place with Jonny

Are you a Christian School Governor?

Please contact Sarah Dodd or Debbie Green if you'd like to meet and pray with others with your responsibilities. (see below).

Regular CUs

Mon	Skerton (Diana) Wray (Margaret Wright) Halton (Amy, Paula) St Tees Pre-School (Sallie, Jessica) Caton Community KS1 (Suzanne)
Tues	Hornby (Jane) West End (Ruth) Dallas Rd (Mary & Mrs Scott) Grosvenor Park (Diana) Ripley Yr9-11 (Adam & Jonny)
Wed	Lancaster Rd (Diana & Leah) Christ Church L/C (Lauren & Sallie) Halton Prayer Club (Amy Peatman)
Thu	Caton Community (Suzanne & Julie) Ripley Yr7-8 (Jonny & Adrian) Ridge (LBC & Diana) LRGS (Jonny & staff) Poulton le Sands (with Parish Church)
Fri	Trumacar (Diana & Rebecca) Caton St Paul's (Julie)

MIRACLE MONDAYS

Sign up for your weekly term time emails. Please email Jonny to add your name to our growing list.
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