

Future Vision

Youth & Children's Work

Ian, you really are the caffeine fairy.... Quote from a stressed teacher on being given a black coffee.

Spring 2017

New Prayer Space at Thomas Gainsborough for whole of Yr. 7 to be held on 7th March 2017.

I love to go weeee through the clouds... but I do get in trouble for it. Opening line of Christmas assembly



Twas the night after Christmas and all the angels were celebrating.....



Come and pray for us on Monday 13th March 7.30pm at Suffolk Road Church.
A chance to chat to a schools worker and praise God for all that is happening in our schools.

Assemblies

School Clubs

RE Lessons

School

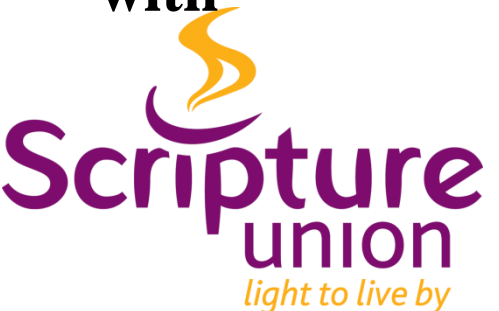
Workshops

Chaplaincy

A

Local Mission Partner

with

**Scripture
union**
light to live by

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All the schools welcome us warmly. Hartest have included us in action with the children via social media on their school Twitter feed and newsletter.

It was a joy to join St. Gregory's Primary School at their end of term act of worship at St. Gregory's Church, where we acted out with the key stage 1 children, The First Christmas. The school thanked us and gave us published books that the school community had compiled together - a lovely surprise.

All the children love acting out the stories with us, they sometimes cheer and smile when they see us coming in.

Debbie Steed

Assemblies are going well, Boxford now have a team of 3 volunteers excluding Judith and Trisha whom are both very busy but are excited about having this ministry in their parish school. Both come along when they can.

The very new volunteers had a baptism of fire last week, my recurring nightmare actually came true for the first time, they had learnt their lines for the story of Sarah and Abraham but for some strange reason I brought props for Jesus in the temple (just a few decades out)!!!

They were really great though, adapted well and did a brilliant job..

God is definitely in this work.

The head from Tudor approached us after the assembly last week, thanking us for the great story and informing us that at a recent survey taken by students our assemblies were favourite again.

We have been thinking of different ideas for Hillside primary assemblies, introducing more tactile activities and involving as many in wheelchairs as we can. Please pray we can continue to engage a very wide spectrum of disabilities, offering something that all the children can enjoy and understand.

N. Vision clubs continue to go well, we have recently been talking about anger, what makes us angry and how we deal with it. We have had some interesting conversations and the children enjoyed the take home sheets, some children seemed to have used them to express to their parents how they feel, hungry Hank was a favourite (I can empathise with that) or hangry as we like to call it.

We have new children in most of the clubs this term and pray they continue to come as we look at how Jesus can help us with all our emotions.

Lesley Mitchell

Exploring Christianity (after school on Wednesdays Thomas Gainsborough School)

This group continues to grow with a great mix of young people. Our student leaders are great but their flock is a very challenging one - please do pray for them! We recently asked them which topics they'd like to discuss. They voted highest for sex, social media use, mental health & self esteem, poverty and social injustice, tv /film and loss.

My favourite conversation recently happened amidst the babble of year 7s trying to discuss identity. Something prompted one girl to say "But how can I know God? I can't see him!" I explained that we can get to know God and one of the easiest ways is to read the bible. Another girl looked at me with wide eyes, holding up her hands, and exclaimed "But my bible is this thick!" I told her about how Jesus shows us what God is like and Matthew Mark Luke and John are the accounts of His life on earth, so just start with one of them. She really seemed to take that in. Whilst her friends all chatted around her she looked thoughtful and I'm hopeful that's the prompting she needed to pick up her bible and read it for herself. Ian and I are planning on getting them all some bible reading notes to equip them to get into such a thick book -

Liz

Day in the life of a Chaplain... Make tea...wander along corridor and get called into a class to talk about God...make good coffee and cakes for Christian teachers...make tea...sit and listen...

n:vision school groups

Mondays 12-1 n:vision@greatwoldingfield

3.15 - 4pm n:vision@tudor

Tuesdays 3.15 – 4.15pm n:vision@woodhall

6.00 - 7.30pm n:vision@greatwoldingfield (Rock Solid)

Wednesdays 12 - 1pm n:vision@stgregorys. 3 - 3.45pm n:vision@potkilm

3.15-4.15 Exploring Christianity @ Thomas Gainsbough School

Thursdays 3.15-4pm n:vision@TGS

Fridays 12-1pm n:vision@acton



Open the Book assemblies two week cycle

Monday 9.30 – 10.30 am Hillside x2 groups.

Tuesdays 10.00 – 10.45 Tudor 1pm – 1.45 Bures

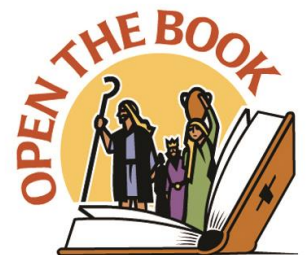
Wednesdays 9.30 – 10.15am St Joseph's. 2.15pm – 3pm Pot Kiln

Thursdays 10.15 – 10.45 Glemsford [x2].

2.45 – 3.15pm Boxford.

Fridays 12.00 – 1pm Acton. 2.30 – 2.50 Hartest.

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers; please contact us if you think you can help!



Pupil comments about
Open the Book
Voted Tudor Roads
favourite visitors.

Please Pray For:

- Give thanks to God for continued open doors into the schools we visit
- *Giving thanks for the support of Future Vision Trustees, churches and individuals as we move forward.*
- The continued development of the Chaplaincy at Thomas Gainsbough School.
- Give thanks for our own individual walk with JESUS and that it will continue to develop as we serve.
- Continued protection for all team members and their families for health , travel , relationships etc .
- Pray for **all** our schools, staff and pupils.



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Thank you for your friendship and support this term. It has meant so much to me to once again feel part of a family in school and to have had your friendship these past few months during what has been an emotional and tempestuous induction into my first year in teaching.

Thank you so much for all the support you offer us. The friendly ear, the advice and, of course, the delicious cookies.