

# Churches Together Youth Trust

# Newsletter

## Spring 2025



NETWORK  
YOUTH CHURCH



## Wonder

Andrea has been working with the Diocese Education team to engage young people on the theme of 'Wonder'. This is part of a project called 'Growing Faith' which has been rolled out across the Cartmel Peninsula.

The team (pictured at Grange Over Sands Primary School) went into several schools including Cartmel Priory to run workshops. The children had an opportunity think, process and reflect on wonder by using their bodies, by expressing their thoughts through movement and dance or by writing poetry.

Gemma Brown, Deputy head at Cartmel Priory School, said in her feedback. 'I felt that the workshops deepened our students' knowledge and understanding of spirituality. It gave them a sense of the importance of understanding their own spirituality and provided them with the space and time to do this.'

## Cartmel Priory School

Chris & Andrea continue to input into Cartmel Priory School. Chill Out Club continues on a Thursday where young people have been taking part in quizzes organised by our volunteer Maggie. We continue to take year 7s assemblies on a Monday morning.

Prayer Space will be taking place in the School the week beginning 7th July; do pray for the planning of this.

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## Soul Fuel

Soul Fuel is continuing to grow as we recently welcomed 2 new members. At

Christmas, which felt like a long time ago, we had Secret Santa where the young people and leaders drew a name from a hat so that each person received a small gift from an unknown person in the group.

On Sunday 2nd March, Soul Fuel attended 'The Gathering' in Penrith for a meal and a youth service. It was great to be able to mix with young people from Kendal, Penrith, Whitehaven and other areas across Cumbria. The idea is to keep young people connected. You can see some of our group below eating baked potatoes before the youth service.

Currently 4 of the group are signed up to go to 'Dreaming The Impossible', a large youth gathering at Staffordshire Show

Ground. In total around 60 young people and leaders from Network Youth Church and partner churches will

be attending and we are very thankful for the Norman Whiteley Trust for their contribution in helping keep costs down.

We say goodbye and thanks to Paul Rand who has been a faithful volunteer for over a year. Do continue to pray for Jo & Paul as they move to pastures new in August.



## Primary Schools

Andrea is a regular in primary schools leading whole school Collective Worship. This year sharing with the children the words of the prophet Isaiah 41.10 "Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with my right hand." Reflecting on how, when we trust in God, even when things do not go according to plan, we do not need to be afraid.

Andrea is delivering Jesus and Me after school clubs (this is where the children hear Bible stories, reflect on them, ask questions, make some crafts and play games). The first JAM club was at Grange School and after Easter there is a plan to deliver to other primary schools.

## We need your help!

It is the role of the Trustees to manage the resources of the Youth Trust, to determine strategy and keep an eye on how things are going, as well as promote our partnerships with all the churches on the peninsula.

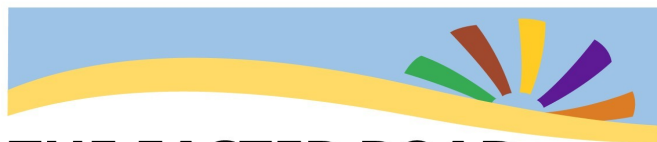
We are pleased to welcome Bidy Hibbert as a new Trustee. Bidy worships at Field Broughton church and will be well known to many of you. We would love to continue to strengthen our Trustee group particularly with a member from a church not currently represented. If you are interested and care about ministry to young people, then please get in touch for a chat about becoming a Trustee or any other ways that you might help.

Mervyn Hull, Chair of Trustees.  
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**Please consider donating to the work of the Churches Together Youth Trust**

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### THE EASTER ROAD

**A telling of the Easter Story for Children and those who care for them**

**On Good Friday Morning** (18th April)

9.00am to 11.30am

at St. Paul's Church, Grange-Over-Sands

Crafts–Songs–Prayers–Hot Cross buns–Lots of fun!

There is no charge but donations towards the cost of materials will be welcome.

To reserve your place, contact:

St. Paul's Church Office, Church Hill, Grange over Sands, LA11 6BD. Tel: 015395 35560 or 07305777113  
or E-mail: [stpaulschurchgrange@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulschurchgrange@gmail.com)  
by 14th April please.

**Happy Easter!**

[www.grangepcc.co.uk](http://www.grangepcc.co.uk) Tel: 07305 777 113

### Kitchen Support!

On a Monday evening we provide a simple meal for up to 15 people as part of Soul Fuel. Would you be able to help? Safer Recruitment needed and training will be provided.

## Please Pray & Give Thanks For:

- Thanks for 'The Gathering Youth Service' that takes place in Penrith termly, thanks that Soul Fuel members have enjoyed meeting with others from Cumbria.
- Pray for Soul Fuel that meets at the URC Church hall on alternate Mondays during term times between 5.30–7pm. Thanks for the growth in membership.
- Please pray for the heads of the schools, especially for Gill Pett and Phillipa Summer as they are retiring at the end of this academic year.
- Pray for Andrea, as she needs wisdom, discernment and stamina to continue sharing the Good News in school, through collective worship, Jam and volunteering in other projects.
- Thanks for the local young people who have signed up to go to Dreaming The Impossible, a Christian youth camp in Staffordshire. Pray for the planning and logistics.