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Holiday Club 2009 Seaside Rock



With 30 kids coming each day there was plenty of energy and enthusiasm for everything going on.

The children were introduced to Simon Peter and followed his story throughout the week, ending with the Resurrection on Good Friday. There were songs for the daily memory verses and the kids who recited them the next morning got a reward, so many learned every verse!

Monday was packed full of fun as we introduced the Seaside Rock Theme Song, Lyn the Bin - Jokester Extraordinaire, and met Simon Peter via "Video Feed" for the first time. The kids were broken up into 4 different "Rock Pool" Groups which they kept throughout the week doing activities together and competing valiantly and good naturedly against the other Rock Pools.

Tuesday the children got to recite their first memory verse and also got their first taste of creative prayer. Each rock pool built a prayer wall out of paper bricks on which each child wrote a prayer for something they needed help with.

Wednesday Simon Peter told the children how Jesus had healed his mother-in-law who was very sick with a fever. The children all had the opportunity to pray for someone who was ill. Wednesday also included what was unanimously the children's favourite memory verse and song. "With only a word, Jesus healed the sick." The song involved acting out the words which they all did with great gusto.

Thursday was reflective as the children learned about how Jesus died on the cross out of love for them and everyone everywhere. The younger children made windmill toys which looked very impressive while the older children began rehearsing a surprise for the following day.

Friday was an open day as we invited parents to come and see what their children had been doing and learning all week and to get involved and participate in the singing and dancing themselves. All the children had made puppets, which they got to take home at the end of the week, and the older half put together a puppet show beginning with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem and ending with Jesus' death and Resurrection. They performed it splendidly after only one practice for the younger ones and all their parents.

After an hour and singing and laughing with Ian sharing the gospel message, the holiday club was officially over, but to celebrate we had a barbecue with hotdogs and burgers aplenty! The parents were all really pleased with one mum commenting that her son was "a different person when he's here" and another saying that all her children really wanted to come to the club on Monday nights. The children said they "really enjoyed it" "loved making the puppets" and "liked the singing and dancing." **All in all, Seaside ROCKED!** :-D

Chelsea Boyd



I have spent a brilliant morning working with children at St. Gregory's church together with members of the congregation and a team from the Cathedral and together we have told the Easter story to about 160 youngsters.

Since January...

I have taken 26 assemblies, 5 lessons, 56 sessions of clubs, 26 other school related meetings ranging from training to acting as a specialist adviser, 6 full sessions of governorship plus loads of 'lan, as you are in could you...' and a holiday club!

I have been advised that the workload is too heavy and I need to cut back. The problem is what and how? **Pray** for wisdom, please.

I am taking a sabbatical in the autumn term. **Please pray** that everything is put into place so that the work grows and does not suffer from the change.

Praise God that this term the school groups have all seen a growth in numbers and most clubs have led assemblies in their schools.

Continue to pray that Chelsea our American volunteer can sort out whether she can stay on in September. If not that we can fill her post.

Thank you for you prayers. Please continue to ask God to shower His blessings on the ministry and that a great harvest will come from it. God bless you all.

Ian Copeman



Christian clubs in our local schools

Every day of the week we run at least one n:vision club in a school, so **please pray** every day for the clubs.

Mondays 3.15 - 4pm n:vision@tudor 6 - 7.30pm n:vision@springlands
Tuesdays 12 - 1pm n:vision@greatwoldingfield
 12 - 1pm n:vision@uplands 3.15 - 4pm n:vision@stgregorys
Wednesdays 12 - 1pm n:vision@acton
Thursdays 12 - 1pm n:vision@allsaints
Fridays 3.15 - 4pm n:vision@cornard



Tuesdays 10.20am Great Woldingfield
 2.30pm Wells Hall School
Wednesdays 10.15am St Gregory's

Assemblies are usually taken every other week by Jo Longhurst and her 'Open the Book' team.