

CHARIS-Marple Churches Community Projects - Newsletter

Local Charity to go National

Our sponsored Trek around the country mentioned in our January Newsletter is to take place from Thursday 27th July to Sunday 13th August 2006. The event is to be called

CATCH THE BUZ'

The Bus will travel approximately 1800 miles to various locations around the country where we will have a stopover and will model the sort of work that the bus is doing in the Parks in Marple. Key persons in those locations are now being contacted and initial responses from all are good.

Bishop Peter the Bishop of Chester, when told about the trek said, "How exciting"

Kidzklub goes from strength to strength

Since starting the Kidzklub in Marple on the 2nd May 2003 it has grown in popularity. Not least by the introduction of the Disco nights and the Cinema nights. Numbers continue to be an average of 40 each week during term time. Even the team of volunteers continues to grow with this year a large number of Junior lead-

How can I get involved?

If you are asking yourself this question the here are some suggestions.

We are planning to take a team of volunteers with us on the trek although we are also suggesting that some people might like to join us on the route.

If you would like to be considered for the trek then call at the office for an application form.

We are looking for sponsors if you are an individual or a company then we would like to hear from you.

If you would like us to come to your group or organisation or church to give a presentation

ers, that's those in year 7 and 8. Their development over the year has been particularly encouraging.



Big thank you to all those who are praying for this work. Prayer is the key. Please continue to pray for the children and young people at the Kidzklubs and on the Bus. Pray that we will continue to be guided by the Lord in particular the Trek next year. Once again
THANK YOU AND THANK THE LORD!!

about the trek then again please be in touch with the office.

You will of course be able to get up to date information about the trek from the office. We will be issuing regular bulletins. In addition we have a web site even now being constructed.



Andy and Nick during a practice session

Please continue to pray for the steering group that meets on the 3rd December. Continued on page 2

KIDZKLUB NEWMILLS!

New for this year has been the launch of the Kidzklub in New Mills. With a new team of volunteers the club has begun slowly but there are great expectations

THANK YOU ALL!



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Is this you?

1 *Can you pray?*

2 *Do you have heart for childrens work?*

3 *Would you love to work with teenagers?*

4 *Would you like to support the charity?*

5 *Are you a volunteer*

6 *Do you want more information*

If it is we need your help!

Trek not the only fund raising

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As the planning for the trek gathers pace so does the excitement.

But to rely on this trip as our only fund raising would be foolish. We continue to need individuals to sign up as supporters of the charity on a regular basis. One of the ways to give is by standing order via the bank. In addition if you are a taxpayer

please consider signing the 'Gift Aid' declaration so that we might take advantage of the 28p that the government will give us for each pound given to the charity.

We give thanks for the individuals that have already signed up to the scheme. Thanks also to the continued support of the Play Development Scheme in Stockport, the Local Network

Fund and more recently Funds from the Police Force.

To find out more about 'Gift Aid' and receive an application form or a standing order form for the above please call the office.



JIGSAW clubs become puzzling.

Jigsaw clubs had been established long before our youth and Children's outreach worker came along. Four primary schools had then set up either during the lunch time or after school.

All that was needed at that time was a bringing together of the volunteers and the organising of the material for the clubs. But nothing can be that simple as things change. Some of the volunteers wanted to move on and so new recruits had to be found. By the middle of last year all seemed well.

"Jesus in Games Stories and Worship" Not a Jigsaw puzzle

However since then again there has been further changes. All now run in

the lunchtimes which realise heavily on the school to help by letting those who wish to come, to go to early lunch setting. Nevertheless the numbers in each case has fallen which is puzzling. On reflection we feel that this could be due to the popularity of the Kidzklub which happens after school and so the children go there in stead. Or it could be as the schools offer a wider choice of activities at both lunchtimes and after school the children are making choices. Please pray that we get it right.

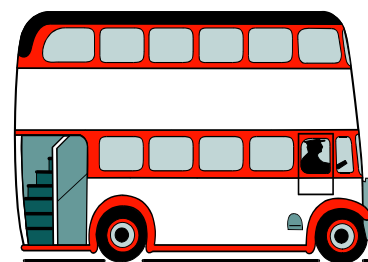
R.E. Lessons on the bus

In our last letter we said that RE lessons were to start on the 17th February at Rosehill School. This was the pilot and ran for four weeks. Such was the success of the event that the school asked us to repeat it the next term. We did this for a further four weeks but not just in the one school. This time we were

busy on two afternoons one at Rosehill school and now also at All Saints School.

We now intend to continue this work in the new year with further four week slots arranged in the two schools. We also plan to expand the work to include the other two Primary schools. We thank the Lord and the schools for

the encouragement.



Doris 'The Community Bus' also a mobile classroom

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