

ASW News - 28th APRIL 2019 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

OPEN THE BOOK: bringing Bible stories to children using the Open the Book material is not only a great privilege for those involved but is the most popular assembly amongst the children at Chandler School. It happens twice a term at 9.00am and the assembly lasts for about 20 minutes. Volunteers meet at 8.30am with a few children to practice the story for that week. We need more volunteers, to narrate, to assemble child characters and to take part in the scenes. Most of the parts are non-speaking as the words are said by the narrator. If you would be willing to come and take part or would like to visit and view a session, please speak to Ann, we need more people for the Chandler sessions and the next one is this Thursday, 2nd May

BIBLES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN: As usual this year we will be giving all the children who are leaving Witley Infant school a Children's Bible at the end of term. As a 'one-off' jointly with Milford Church we are donating a Children's Bible to each class at Chandler School, which has been asked for by the Head teacher when he discovered that our church school had very few bibles in a modern translation. The Bibles cost £8.00 each, and any contribution towards the cost would be very welcome.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12-19th MAY: We do not have a co-ordinator for the house to house collection this year, if anyone is willing to take this on, please speak to Ann or Elvie TODAY. As time and technology move forward, it is acknowledged that door to door collections are becoming more difficult, so we may not be able to raise funds in this way for much longer, if at all. Last year with all donations added together with Gift Aid, we raised £1600 which is a significant amount. To support Christian Aid this year, if there is no door to door collection, we propose to have a retiring collection on Sundays May 12th and 19th and to make a donation from PCC funds.

CHILD OF HOPE SCHOOL, UGANDA: Bex will be visiting on Sunday 5th May at both services to bring us the latest news from the school which we support in the slum area of Mbale.

SPRING ORGAN RECITAL: Monday 6th May 12.30pm. Charles Harrison, Organist at Chichester Cathedral, will give a recital followed by a light lunch. Entry free, everyone welcome.

WITLEY FAIR, 15th JUNE: Preparations are well underway for the Fair. We now have sufficient china for our Cafe so thank you for all your donations. But we do need to start collecting the other items we need for a successful day:

- Bottles of wine and empty bottles complete with screw tops
- Good quality bric a brac.
- Tombola prizes (don't forget BOGOF offers at the supermarket)
- Luxury food items for the Grand Draw hamper
- Large and small cakes and scones (freezer space available)

Offers of help also much appreciated. It takes a lot of people to make a success of all our stalls and make sure that everyone can enjoy leisure time at the Fair. Contact Christine Parrott in church or on 01483 426027 or parrott.hawthorns@dsl.pipex.com.

KNITTERS NEEDED: This year at Witley Fair following the success of our flock of sheep last year, we have a Noah's Ark theme. We will be putting two animals on each stall for children to find. We have been loaned some pairs of animals but we need more:

- 2 x hippos
- 2 x rhinos
- 2 x crocs

- 2x moose
- 2 x warthogs

There is also an elephant, a panda and a cat who need a mate. Please see Ann if you would like to knit. Some patterns are now available.

FREE OFFICE TABLE FOR RE-HOMING: We have a table in the office which is now surplus to requirements. It is in good condition, has a brown faux wood formica top and metal frame. Measurements: 30ins square and 30ins high approximately. Please contact the office if you would like it.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Tues, 30 th	11am	Service of Remembrance for Rita Whitworth
Wed, 1 st	10.15-11.30am	CAMEO
Fri, 3 rd	9.00-10.30am	Little Saints
Sat, 4 th	12 noon	Wedding of Christopher Russell & Alisha Beswick
Sun, 5 th	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion All Saints Together

FORTHCOMING:

Sun, 12 th May 11.30am	Young Saints leaders' meeting
Sat, 18 th May	Green Gym Messy Church
Sat, 15 th June	Witley Fair
Sun, 30 th June 5.30pm	Choral Evensong

NEXT WEEK:

Third Sunday of Easter, 5th May

***ALL SAINTS TOGETHER
at 9.45am***