

Newsletter July 2024





WELCOME

It may feel more like October, but its July - so welcome to our Summer Special 2024 Newsletter!

Alongside our usual pattern of lunch, afterschool and church groups, we have also had some very special projects this year.

As such, we have been working tirelessly for the past few months, so our Trustees have kindly encouraged us to take much of the Summer Holidays as just that - holiday! (Lest us end up like the photo from St John's below!)

But before we "clock off" for a few weeks rest, we have got some loose ends to tie up and tell you about!











In the Summer term, we have been working really hard to conclude our Boro Cereal service projects!

Peacemakers, Awesome Ayresome Alleys, Great Gardening Group and To Me, To Loo!

You may remember how these came about - lessons in four schools, helping the kids identify ways they could positively impact their communities.

Well over the past few weeks, we've been delivering Peacemaker boxes, renovating an Awesome Ayresome Alley, planting flowers to brighten up Hemlington, and "twinned" 6 school toilets in Grangetown, with Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, Nepal & Mozambique!



One of the biggest events in the church calendar this year has been Festival Teesside; in which we were involved to coordinate the children and families part of the mission. Our highlight? Leading two mega school days in Stockton Baptist and Middlesbrough Cathedral - with Duggie Dug Dug's Crazy Science Show and Tom Rolfe's wonderful circus skills!





Over the second weekend in July (and surely the wettest!) we headed to another Cedarwood Festival - this time hosted in Thorp Perrow Arboretum, a little bit further away!

The Festival itself is a northern gathering of evangelical churches, to worship, learn and spend time in fellowship.

We led the KIDS tent and had a great time, with a wonderful group of children, eager to learn and get involved. We also were blessed with excellent, willing volunteers, who all took their turn in the BiG Drip (our water/gunge tank)!



Over our Summer break, we are looking to grow our community, so we are asking you...

Do you have a friend or family member that would love to hear all the things that BiG KIDS get up to each month?

If so, could you forward this newsletter on?

And if you are that friend or family member and you would like to sign up to receive our newsletter, it drops into your inbox on the first Friday of each month, please click the button below, we would love to keep in touch with you!

