

Praise points:

- ⇒ **Settling in:** For everyone's support and encouragement which made settling in that much easier a task.
- ⇒ **Big Questions:** That the group has been established and that the students always say hello with enthusiasm when they see me.
- ⇒ **Youth Group:** That we have expanded beyond our venue capacity and for the steps we took in faith together. And thanks to Tom for his continued support in the group!
- ⇒ **For our new trustee, Mark Vodden.** Welcome to the team!!

Prayer points:

- ⇒ **Growth:** that the Christian Union, in particular, would grow in numbers and be a welcoming space for more students.
- ⇒ **Direction:** For the trustees in the upcoming meetings; that God would guide them as they discuss the future direction of the trust. Also for All Saints', Brough, as we look forward together and take steps to prepare for next year.
- ⇒ **Assemblies:** For myself and the Christian Union as we lead a week of Easter assemblies together in the last week of term!

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Hunsley Christian Youth Trust



Prayer and News Spring 2018

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

(Isaiah 43:19, NIV)

This term's newsletter is written, for you, by Beth (HCYT Schools Worker).

Happy New Year! What a term the last one was; crazy and wonderful and only a tad stressful, all at once. In the final week of term, I gave two assemblies at South Hunsley about Christmas- "Has Christmas all got a bit silly?" We talked about the crazy decorations you can buy, the games you can play- yes, of course we played one in assembly- and exciting attire such as my flashing Christmas tree hat. We explored the nativity story together and how it wasn't the most regular night for any of the characters involved! In the midst of all the madness at Christmas- whether it be donkey travels and bright stars, or flashing Christmas hats- we are given the greatest gift; Jesus.

The term finished with the students being visited by Rev. Mike Proctor (Santa!) and his bike, who posed for many pictures and handed out chocolates.



So, how did last term go?

Big Questions: After a number of weeks spent wandering around the sixth form common room handing out biscuits, (and, apparently, gaining quite a reputation), Big Questions has finally taken off. Big Questions is held on a table in the common room over lunch time. While this is massively intimidating for little old me, it's great because it makes the group feel more a part of the sixth form community and more inclusive to those around. Together, we have eaten many Jaffa Cakes; had Christmas pass-the-parcel, and discussed US gun laws, the Bible, veganism, and whether the plural of Twix is "Twix" or "Twixes". I very much enjoy being a part of this group and am excited to see where God leads us this term.



Rock Solid: I have been helping at the youth group in at All Saints', South Cave every other Sunday evening. This is a great group— wacky games, good biscuits, and great discussions about faith— and I have loads of fun coming last in all the games against the young people!

RE:Action: Last term, I volunteered at two RE:Action days with the Label of Love team. As well as being hectic, these days are always barrels of fun—for both team and the schools—and so many things are learned. I am looking forward to joining the team again this term for our Easter themed day!

Beer and Carols: In December, I had the enormous pleasure of co-hosting Beer and Carols at The Red Hawk alongside Rev. Mick Fryer, with music (and much laughter) provided by my parents.



Youth Group: It has been an exciting term for youth group, indeed. We stripped things back to basics and explored some fundamentals of faith; who Jesus is, the Bible, God, etc. Alongside some more bizarre discussion topics, like whether Mini Cheddars count as a biscuit or a crisp, we took a step deeper into faith together. We explored the Trinity and how that works, and different ways God can speak to us. I have seen this group grow in the last term, which has been an absolute blessing to witness. Youth group would like to say a HUGE thankyou to those who have hosted us in the past couple of years— especially Julie— and we're currently settling into our new venue; The Magi Room, St Helen's, Welton.

Rock Solid is looking to grow their group!

Aimed at school years 10-13, Rock Solid meets in **All Saints' Community Centre, South Cave** on **Sundays, 6pm-8pm**.

If you are interested/know anyone who might be interested in joining, e-mail Lucy Gorman via lucy.gorman@hotmail.co.uk.

Come and join us!

Main focuses and goals for Spring term 2018:

Christian Union: Last term I dedicated so much of my time and energy to setting up Big Questions, the Christian Union just ticked along in the background. This term, that will not be the case! This group has been a core element to our ministry at South Hunsley for a number of years and I would love to see it grow— both spiritually and in numbers— this year. I'm planning to take all the steps I can to make sure the students know that anybody is invited to explore Christianity with us. Thanks to All Saints', North Ferriby, for lending us Ben to give me a hand this term! Christian Union meets in **HG3** on a **Wednesday, 3.35-4.35**.

Assemblies: The last week of this term involves a week of Easter assemblies at South Hunsley, led by myself and the Christian Union!