Spring Term 2024 YOUTH, CHILDREN &FAMILIES **NEWS**



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Youth

Our Youth Café hit a peek of 21 young people on one night in February and we have continued to see 15-20 young people each week, making friends, playing football, drinking a lot of hot chocolate and getting to know us.

Youth Alpha has been exciting! Expectations have been exceeded as 21 different young people have attended Alpha. With 12 attending on a weekly basis, keen to talk about God, faith and the Bible.

In February, we had the opportunity to take 4 young people (not all from a churched background) to Glow where a couple of them experienced the Holy Spirit and they got to witness Christians their age worshipping.

As we see our numbers at youth grow, we need to see our team grow too, currently we have 2 leaders a week, but in order to maintain safeguarding ratios as we grow, we need to have 3-4 leaders a week.

Being a leader at Youth Café is an incredible opportunity to show young people Jesus' love, through welcoming them into a safe space where they can make friends and eat snacks.

Blaze

Blaze has been taking a pause, but we had our Blaze Easter Party on 30th March with 37 children coming to hear about the Easter Story and have fun together.

Going forward we are excited with the hope to relaunch Blaze on Thursday 6th June, 4-5pm. For school years 3-6.

We are excited to continue to share the Bible and the story of Jesus with children both in our community and already in our church family. With the chance for Parents and Children to hang out with the team, in the café 3:30-4pm.

However, in order for us to do this we need a team of 5 leaders each week and we are also building a team of keen volunteers to help us plan and run Blaze. There will be a meeting on 20th May, if you are interested in joining the team or finding out more.

Blaze is a really exciting opportunity to share Jesus with the children of Liskeard, and to disciple children in the Church family as they reach their friends.

If you want to find out more about joining either teams or if you want to "try out" a session, please talk to Hannah or email hannah@smartchurchliskeard.co.uk







Prayer Requests:

Please continue to pray for our Children and Young People,

- for the young people who attended Alpha and for wisdom for the team about what to do following on from Alpha.
- that those attending Youth Cafe will feel a sense of community, and will see glimpses of Jesus' love and want to know more.
- for growth in the youth team as our youth work is rapidly growing, so that we have capacity for the young people coming.
- for a team to come alongside us to run Blaze.
- for the children that have attended Blaze: weekly or the events, and that they continue to know Jesus' love.
- for Karen as she settles into her job as Children's Lead, and for the right person to apply for the Children and Families Worker role.

