

# COINS Calling



*Praise & Prayer for Newbury Schools' Work*

*Taking Jesus to School*

**November 2020**

**Another half term has successfully been completed and we praise God for all we have been able to achieve over the last few weeks.**

## Praise:

- ✦ **Harvest Assembly:** This has been used in primary schools and viewed over 100 times, so we know it has been used in different schools across the area. Some schools have just shown the film and others have also used the session plan and colouring resources.
- ✦ **The Christmas Gift:** Give thanks that 8 schools booked our filmed version of *The Christmas Gift* within 24 hours of it becoming available. Pray that more schools will be involved so that the message of Christmas will be heard far and wide! Praise God that the filming was very straightforward and thank God for inspiring us with creative ideas to re-imagine this year's presentation.
- ✦ **Kennet Connect Club:** Run by **Emma** and David Taylor (Thatcham Baptist Church), this has continued physical meetings with the Year 8 group and we pray that nothing will interfere with this. Pray too that the boys will continue to come along and for a new boy, William, who has joined the club. May God's word go deep into their lives.

## Pray:

- ✦ **Assemblies:** Our newest Assembly is called *Let Your Light Shine*. Pray that it will be well received by teachers and widely used, so that its message of light will shine out across our primary schools. Use this link to view it for yourself: <https://youtu.be/rqgGctNEIFE>. We are also preparing for the release of our Christmas Assembly; *He's Amazing!* Pray that the work of **COINS** will be a voice, proclaiming God's interest in our lives and that we will be a great benefit to schools, leading and supporting them in teaching Christianity.
- ✦ **St Bart's:** Pray for the students at St Bart's who have been diagnosed with COVID-19. Pray too for all the teachers, students and parents in our schools in West Berkshire at this time.
- ✦ **Year 7 Pupils:** Continue to pray for these children who are in their first term of secondary school. Schools are operating in very different ways at present, so their experiences may be unusual; pray that they will be able to settle down, make new friends and still enjoy a new learning environment. Whilst **COINS** may not be able to interact with these youngsters in the ways we have done previously, please pray that they will be attracted by what we have to offer and so encounter Jesus in a very special and personal way.
- ✦ **Zoom Prayer:** Our next 'Pause and Pray' meeting for schools is on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January between 10.30-11.15 am. We would love you to join us, so do contact [joni@coinsnewbury.org](mailto:joni@coinsnewbury.org) if you want to participate.
- ✦ Many of you will know the Clarke family as Hayley worked for **COINS** a few years ago. Pray for them as their daughter has been diagnosed with a rare genetic condition called Batten Disease. You can follow their journey at [www.facebook.com/Addys-Batten-Adventure-110342004168247](http://www.facebook.com/Addys-Batten-Adventure-110342004168247).
- ✦ **The Team:** We are so grateful that our workers, **Joni, Emma, Victoria** and **Kate**, are still in good health. Pray for their protection, both physically and spiritually. Remember **Joni** particularly, as she leads the team.

**During the coming half term many people will be thinking about Christmas. We know that for everyone the festival will be different from past years and may not be how people want to celebrate. However, may this be an opportunity to present the true message of the season as we focus on Jesus the Light of the world. We pray that you will draw even closer to Him this year and thank you for your continued support of our ministry.**

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***"The One who is the true Light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world."***

**John 1:9 (NLT)**

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