

# VYM

# News

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# Mission Statement

**Working with young people to help them realise that God loves each one of them.**

## A note from the Chairman

Welcome to our first newsletter of two thousand and ten (or is it twenty ten?). Whichever you prefer I hope you had a good and blessed Christmas and that you are still keeping all of your New Year resolutions.

A group of us sang Christmas Carols at Boots in the Peel Centre (that's the bottom of Babylon Hill to you and me) and raised £50 for VYM funds. We were also given refreshments by the staff, some of whom came to join in the singing. So impressed were they that they've asked us to come again this Christmas and Thursday 16th December at 6.00 pm is the date you should put in your diary!

The next important phase for VYM is to make sure that everyone knows who we are and what we do. Our aim is to increase the number of schools we are involved with and to look at opportunities to expand the range of services we offer. As you may or may not know, St. Johns have appointed a Youth Minister, Simon Corner, to deal with the 11 - 14 year olds and the United Reformed Church SW Synod have appointed a Youth worker, Jan Murphy, to look after and support churches with the development of youth work. I have already had conversations with both of them, and I see VYM as vital and very important to what they do. We will be looking at ways in which we can all work together. Does your church have a similar person? If so, please pass this information to them and let us have their details so that we can talk.

Sadly, much of what we do and would like to do will be dependent on our ability to raise sufficient funds to do so. Getting ourselves on a sounder financial footing is a priority for 2010. Your support, whether it be in terms of a donation or a suggestion as to how we can achieve this, would be particularly welcome. Also, a listening ear to find out what needs are required for the young people of our area would be invaluable.

As always, we ask that you remember the VYM and the work we are undertaking with the young people in our area in your prayers.

***Alan Rounsfell***

PS. Want more information, want to talk, want someone to talk at a meeting? Give me a ring on (01935) 476457.

## Close-up on Colin

Some of you may be wondering why we chose a rather large yellow and orange caterpillar to be our mascot. Besides the fact that Colin is very cute and cuddly, there is a good reason why a caterpillar makes a great mascot for VYM.

We believe that every child has a real appetite for knowledge and is eager to discover things about the world in which we live. Every child has the potential to become an amazing adult by being given the opportunity to gain knowledge and understanding, whilst being loved and nurtured. Just as Caterpillars have an amazing appetite (we all remember the famous Hungry Caterpillar!) and eventually become beautiful butterflies!

## The Mini Mix Lord's Prayer

This version of the Lord's Prayer was written by the young people at Preston Road Methodist Church in Yeovil. They studied the original prayer for four weeks during Sunday school and then wrote this version in language that they found easier to understand. This version of the Lord's Prayer is used in the 'Mini Mix' and many schools now find this version helpful whilst studying the original in religious education. Please feel free to replicate it if you find it helpful.

***Heavenly Father of all, we honour you,***

***We accept you as our King,***

***May we follow your ways so that earth becomes like Heaven,***

***Give us all we need for our minds and bodies,***

***Forgive us all that we do wrong as we forgive other people,***

***Do not test us more than we can cope with, and keep us from evil,***

***The Kingdom is yours,***

***The Power is yours,***

***And the Glory is yours,***

***Amen***

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## **The Mini Mix – ON TOUR**

All Saints VA Primary School, Montacute.

Birchfield Community Primary School, Yeovil.

Castle Primary School, Stoke-Sub-Hamdon.

Chilthorne Domer Church School.

Fairmead School, Yeovil

Grass Royal Junior School, Yeovil.

Haselbury Plucknett C of E First School.

Milford Junior School, Yeovil.

Norton-Sub-Hamdon C of E Primary School.

Parcroft Community Junior School, Yeovil.

Reckleford Community Infant School, Yeovil.

SPLAT, Bible Christian Centre, Haselbury Plucknett

St. Andrews C of E VC Primary School, Yetminster.

Thornford C of E VA Primary School.

Trent Young's Endowed C of E VA Primary School.

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