

NEWSLETTER

TEAM NEWS

‘God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.’ Psalm 46:1

This time last year we were writing to say how our work had been affected by the pandemic and sadly, once again, our physical work in schools ended when lockdown was announced on 23rd January. The team quickly adapted to meetings on Zoom, working from home and creating resources. While it has been hard to not visit schools, we have used the time to study, engage with online training and pray. We look forward to resuming our work in schools when it is safe to do so.

GETTING CREATIVE

During this time, we have been exploring new ways of connecting with schools despite not being able to go in. One of these ways has been through creating a virtual assembly by animating the story of the Wise Men which we had been using for our primary assembly we started delivering in January. Our very talented Victoria took this on and produced an excellent video which we sent out to the primary schools in the hope that they could use it in their classroom bubbles. We even sent it to Bob Hartman whose writing of the Wise Men’s story we used alongside the animated pictures! He loved it!

Having seen how these videos could be useful during lockdown and for future material, we have decided to take this further by making a new animation on the 7 days of creation. This video will be used for our Year 7 Creation lesson and uses the same illustrations used for the ‘ordering of the days’ activity for the students. In doing this, we hope to create more uniformity with all of our resources to help the students to follow and engage with our work more easily. Check out our [blog](#) to see the video!



BEFORE LOCKDOWN



The return of Covid restrictions has had quite an impact on our RE teaching this term, with a number of primary and secondary lessons having to be postponed or cancelled. However, we were still able to start 4 new OT Mini courses managing to teach 11 lessons to 192 Year 5 pupils before the lockdown. It was great to again have a number of our new OT Mini presenters helping to deliver the lessons, with Sarah-Jane Allen and Eleanor

White at La Houquette; Tim and Dorcas Berry with Phil at Beechwood; Sian Street with Sarah at Forest and Phil teaching at Hautes Capelles. We hope to complete each of these courses next term, as well as re-introducing the NT Mini course for the first time in many years, with three schools booked in.

Over the first few weeks of term Phil and Lisa led three sessions for Year 9 students at Le Murier School. PACE had once again been invited to help students complete a module of their ASDAN qualification. This year we have chosen the story of the Good Samaritan and have enjoyed teaching this story to the students. We hope that once lockdown is lifted, we will be able to return and help them put together their assembly which they will then deliver to the lower years.

PACE 30 YEAR CELEBRATION!

We hope in the coming months we can gather together and celebrate 30 years of PACE! Please keep an eye out for more information about this event when we know it is safe to do so.



PRAYER POINTS

- Thanks to God for the opportunity to go back into schools
- Pray for schools as they adapt back to ‘normal’
- Pray for a restful Easter holiday for teachers
- Thanks to God we have had the opportunity to provide new and creative resources during lockdown