

Children and family's news, chat and ideas to keep you busy week 20!

Hi everyone, here is the children and family's news and chat, for week 20.

As I write this I am sitting in the vestry at church waiting for people to come and pick up their holiday club boxes! We currently have 27 people taking part in the online holiday club, and Nicola has told me there will be about 150 children across the eastern region joining in. The activities are over 5 days and there will be online videos to watch with bible stories and more activities. All very exciting! I do hope you enjoy it if you are able to take part.



Here are some more pictures from our Kingdom of God week. Thankyou for sharing with us all we do love to see your pictures.

Do get in touch if you would like to join in our Sundayclub sessions and are aged between 3 and 16, we'd love to include you! **Tel: 07511950633** Please be aware my families@ email is still not working so the best way to get in touch with me is via telephone or text.

Diary:

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th August, online holiday club with videos to follow. **Sunday 9th**

August – Holiday club take-over service! Sandy is leading an all-age service pre-recorded for you all to join in.

11.15am – Sundayclub zoomers! Speak to Sandy for your personal invitation.

Mondays – Sandy uploads a video for the Mustard Seeds toddler group each Monday morning. This is available via the website, YouTube or on Facebook.

Wednesday –1.45pm Singing on zoom, for all ages! Contact me for the link.

Here are some ideas for you to have a go at this week...

- Here are the next five drawing ideas to have a go at from the Accumulate 100 challenge:
 - Draw a house for the year 3030.
 - Draw a desert island and all the objects you'd need to survive.
 - Draw yourself on holiday
 - Draw something you'd see in the sky
 - Draw a dream
- From create to connect: **We have clothes drawers, and cutlery drawers, sock drawers and stationary drawers. We all have 'that' drawer full of the stuff that doesn't go in other drawers. It's time to open them up and get creative with the contents!**
Make art out of the contents of your drawers – try not to use art materials, but instead use your... 'stuff'! Use different textures to make sculptures, collages, patterns and scenes. Over to you!
- Find out the story behind a local landmark or building and share in a creative way. Choose the first thing that comes to your mind – find out who built it, why it's there, how old it is and any interesting facts you can!
- **Story writing – did you write any stories last week? Here are some more writing starters to get you thinking...**
 - What is your favourite song and why?
 - Climbing trees is...
 - I wish trees could _____ because...
- List all the things that make you happy! 😊

And for the younger children:

- Roll a ball back and forth. Make it more fun by having them say a letter, word, animal noise, etc. each time they roll the ball.
- **Use masking tape on the floor in straight lines, zig-zags, or curves and have them walk along it like a balance beam, jump over small pieces, and see what activities you can come up with.**
 - Use shaving cream, hair gel, whipped cream, yogurt, etc. on a baking sheet and let them swirl their hands in it for a fun sensory experience. Use food colouring for even more fun.
 - This week's Story time for under 5's - 'A very big picnic' <https://youtu.be/9RII9Gb7ekc> with Nicola Grieves.



Singing together: Nothings too big -

https://youtu.be/Yopo6DvV9Z8?list=PLGOIQuX191CahA0rWCCy2VUzKV_rrFG_w

Great, great, brill, brill. -

https://youtu.be/o97e9uLQU5U?list=PLGOIQuX191CahA0rWCCy2VUzKV_rrFG_w

Joke: Who was the shortest man in the Bible? Nehemiah (knee-high-miah).

Did you know: The oldest man in the Bible was **969** years old when he died and his name was Methuselah.

And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died. (Genesis 5:27)

Read more: <https://www.whatchristianswanttoknow.com/10-fun-bible-facts-for-kids-and-sunday-school/#ixzz6U3dBcor5>

Here are the links to the children and family pages online:

Sandys YouTube channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCczXJ3IckAMTs3fhXEBjl_g
<https://www.christchurchrayleigh.org.uk/virtual-church/>

<https://www.christchurchrayleigh.org.uk/virtual-church/news-chat/>
<https://www.christchurchrayleigh.org.uk/children-youth/>

With Love, Sandy,
 Children and family
 worker. Xxx

P. S. here's a puzzle for
 you:

FEEDING OF THE 5,000 Word Search



BiblePuzzles.org.uk

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| BASKETS | GRASS |
| BLESSED | HUNGER |
| BOY | JESUS |
| BREAD | JEWS |
| CHILDREN | LEFTOVERS |
| COMPASSION | LOAVES |
| CROWDS | MEN |
| DISCIPLES | MIRACLE |
| EAT | MULTITUDE |
| FEEDING | PRAYER |
| FISH | STARVING |
| FIVE THOUSAND | TWELVE |
| GATHERED | WOMEN |