

10th Rave in the Nave and “Party @ the Cathedral”



*Photos: (left) Party @ the Cathedral
(right) “Activate” performing at the 2002 Rave in the Nave*

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The Ministry and Adult Learning Team (MALT) works with the Ministry and Adult Learning Council (MALC) of the Diocesan Board of Education and Training. MALT has three officers:
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Geoff Catchpole: Continuing Ministerial Education (01353 652717)
Julia Jones: Reader Ministry Development Officer (01353 652714)

SPACE FOR THE SPIRIT

An adult version

A devotional evening for adults especially those preparing for Confirmation, in the Cathedral

Wednesday 13th November 2002 - 7pm to 9pm



led by the Revd Les Oglesby & Canon John Inge

Please complete the form at the bottom of this page if you are interested

Further details available from **Canon John Inge** on ☎ 01353 667735 or the **Revd Les Oglesby** on ☎ 01353 652713

Participants should assemble inside the SOUTH DOOR of the Cathedral at 7pm on the evening

Continuing Ministerial Education

Natural Church Development

Mike Booker (left in photo), a tutor at Ridley Hall and author of *Exploring Natural Church Development*, Grove Books (ev55)

"Many churches and their leaders are tired of evangelistic programmes that do not deliver their promises, church growth theories that do not have a gospel feel, and the sense that there is no alternative to *Alpha*.

But Natural Church Development offers something different. Based on research in over 1,000 churches from around the world, it sets out not a program, but principles that can be adapted to the local context. This study outlines the main features of NCD, looks at some examples of local churches where it has been used, and asks hard questions."

Christian Schwarz, a pastor from our link Diocese of North Elbe, (photo centre) made his inaugural presentation in the UK at Bar Hill. Monday and Tuesday 10/11th June. Christian is the theologian leading the NCD research and church growth implementation programme.

Several of his books are now available in the Diocesan Resources Centre.



Malcolm Raby, Diocesan Evangelism

Adviser, (picture right) advertised the work of British Church Growth Association from whom more detailed materials and individual coaching for ministers and parishes can be obtained.

Geoff Catchpole, Ministry & Adult Learning Team, CME Officer, (behind the camera) said, "This is a very interesting method for working with churches of any style and tradition. It includes very accurate tools for a church audit including taking the spiritual temperature. Unlike many church growth products its aim is wide, to enable us to engage more effectively in the mission of God rather than the single narrow goal of church growth. I trust we will hear much more of this work."

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Please return this form by Monday 4th November to Mrs Ros Wright, Resources Centre, Diocesan Office, Bishop Woodford House, Ely, Cambs., CB7 4DX

Names: _____

Contact Telephone No: _____

Parish: _____

Issues of Ageing

with **Mannes Tidmarsh** of the Christian Council on Ageing
and **Albert Jewell** editor of *"Spirituality and Ageing"*
and former Director of Methodist Homes

Open to ministers and those working in parishes
with older peoples groups and institutions.

Cathedral Education Centre - October 24th 10am - 3.30pm

HOW MUCH? - £15 incl lunch - CME grants apply.

BOOKING & DETAILS: Ros in Resources as soon as possible

 01353 652725

For details of the General Synod report on Ageing look at <http://www.pole97.fsnet.co.uk>

The Gospel & our Culture

A day with **Rev David Kettle** national co-ordinator of the movement with the same title.

Cathedral Education Centre.

Dec 5th 10am - 3pm

HOW MUCH? £15 (CME grants apply)

BOOKING & DETAILS:

Ros, ASAP, 01353 652725
resources.centre@ely.anglican.org

Some time in Feb 2003 two half days on Working in Criminal Justice

A session at the crown court on what
to do if called to give evidence.

A second session with the chaplain
and residents of Whitemoor Prison.

Please register interest with Ros now
 01353 652725.

£15 each CME grants apply.

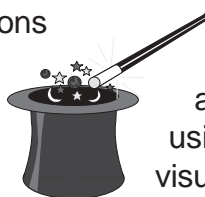
**MINISTRY & ADULT
LEARNING TEAM**

CME

for all ministers

Gospel Magic

Demonstrations and
workshops of
preaching and
assemblies using magic
as a visual aid.



With **Revd Andy Thompson**,
author of the recent Grove booklet of
the same title.

A starter kit, booklets and thumb tips are
already available in the Resources Centre.
CME for all those who lead assemblies, in
youth work, all age services, some older
peoples groups

WHERE: Cathedral Education Centre.
Nov 14th 1pm-3pm OR 7pm-9pm (approx)
ready for Christmas?!

HOW MUCH: £15 CME grants apply

BOOKING & DETAILS: Book with Ros now

 01353 652725
 resources.centre@ely.anglican.org

Limited places: open to ministers,

The School in the Church

A day with
Dr Shirley Hall & Revd Geoff Catchpole
exploring ways of encouraging, welcoming
and engaging school visits to the church.

Saturday 28th Sept or Mon 30th Sept

Witchford Church and Hall
10am – 3pm

£15 including cold buffet

(CME grants apply)

Continuing Ministerial Education (continued)

REMINDERS for autumn and new academic year planners.

"Mind the Gap" is the published report arising from a major national review of Continuing Ministerial Education (CME). The Ministry and Adult Learning Council (MALC) are using it as a guide to develop CME provision in this diocese and collaboratively in the Eastern Region. It will take some time for the implications on regional and diocesan planning to be discussed and implemented. There are some directions we can and need to attend to quite quickly.

Annual personal CME grants for clergy were introduced two decades ago at 1% stipend, currently £120. Given the present financial constraints it is not possible to improve the value of the grants for everyone and they may not be sustained for much longer. In Ely, as in some other dioceses, ours have fallen below the recommended level. The Ministry and Adult Learning Council gave consideration to this twice during 2001 and two experimental approaches were adopted:-

Partnership Grants & Project Grants



REMINDER 1. Partnership Grants were announced in spring 2001. Briefly, these are for collaborative initiatives above parish level. They are to:-

- excite imaginative training partnerships planned at local level
- encourage collaboration through joint training
- build collegiality

Maximum £500. The organizing agency must match the value of the grant. More details from the CME Officer or Reader Ministry Development Officer or Ros in Resources

One of the insights gained from *"Mind the Gap"*, and the meetings proceeding from its publication, is that ministers need different levels of training at different times.

The awarding of a simple £120 to everyone, whilst appearing "equal and fair" on the surface, does not meet the real training needs in the process of lifelong learning for ministry.

There are five major points when the need for training is most keenly felt, ordination/licensing, first responsibility, new post, mid-service, pre-retirement. These are particularly significant times to apply for a Project Grant

In recent years about 30% of clergy in this diocese claimed their personal CME grant each year. Last year only about six took the trouble to "roll over" their grant (see Diocesan Handbook p100).

FAITH IN LEARNING



REMINDER 2. Project Grants.

Assuming the above pattern of grant claim continues MALC will offer Project Grants of up to £200 in addition to the standard grant. To claim this grant one will need to show in an application letter:

- The need for this further training
- The benefit for the individual and for the mission of the diocese/wider Church
- Evidence of other recent training
- Balanced integrated CME (*using the CME Framework, available on the website or from Ros, in Resources, will help you do this.*)
- Evidence of seeking matching funds (*A database of funds is kept by the diocese of Bath & Wells on behalf of the national CME network. Female ministers should apply to the Women's CME Trust fund, Ministry Division, Archbishop's Council.*

All can consult the Directory of Grant Making Trusts in the reference section of major libraries. Some major training programmes offer their own bursaries.)

- Applications in arrears will not be acceptable.



REMINDER 3. RETREATS

CME grants can be used for Retreats. The usual requirements apply.

- Advance application, (*it is simpler for you, the CME Officer & the Finance department if you use the standard CME application form*)
- Travel is not normally funded by CME
- A report is required.

There are lots of details of local retreat houses, specialist & themed retreats, retreats from one day to one month in the CME web pages or the CME filing drawer in Resources.



REMINDER 4.

I sent a list of over 100 new books etc in a recent mailing. Many more books and CD ROMs have arrived in Resources recently. Do pop in and have a look. More arriving soon ... we hope especially preaching guides to RCL.

I also sent the new arrangements for Extended Study Leave.

Further copies on the website or from Ros.



Church Schools can be Eco-Schools!

In September 2002 the Board is launching an **Eco Schools Initiative** in co-operation with **Revd Nigel Tuffnell**, the Diocesan Environmental Adviser. This is an opportunity for church schools to be at the forefront of this area of educational development, and a practical way in which they can demonstrate their Christian ethos:

- We worship a creator God who created everything 'Good' so we should care about God's creation.
- We are to love our neighbour as we love our self. Caring for our shared environment is one way of putting our faith to work.

So what is Eco Schools?

Eco Schools is a programme with *free* resources to help children and their school address environmental and sustainability issues. It gives schools:

- Recognition and publicity through an internationally recognised award scheme.
- Financial Savings
- Enhanced curriculum provision
- Help in developing Schools' Councils
- Community links
- Partnership with the local Church

To be an effective Eco School requires the enthusiasm of 1 or 2 members of staff to start the project running, the active involvement of pupils as the school's Eco Council and, of course, headteacher and governor support. If you are considering setting up a School Council, then this could be a wonderful way to initiate the scheme.

To support Church Eco Schools we promise you:

- RE schemes and collective worship ideas on Christianity and the Natural World to help give a focus to this area of teaching. These will be distributed through the termly RE Liaison Groups (see below) as well as being available centrally.
- **Website support** – already up and running on the schools site of www.ely.anglican.org/education this will be a steadily growing area of the work.
- Ideas about links to relevant QCA and other Curriculum support materials.
- Advice and support through the diocese's RE and Environmental Advisers. Available now.

- Training events in co-operation with LEA and local Eco networks – the first of these is **Thursday 3rd October at Swaffham Eco-Tech Centre**. (Two identical sessions 2.30pm–4.30pm and 6pm–8pm). Contact Nigel Tuffnell (see below) to book your place.
- Links with other church schools already embarked on the Eco-Schools programme.

Are you Interested?

If you would like to discuss any of these ideas and learn more about becoming an Eco School, then please contact: **Revd Nigel Tuffnell**, (Diocesan Environmental Advisor)

☎ 01366 501075

✉ Nigel.Tuffnell@ely.anglican.org or

Shirley Hall ☎ 01353 652712

✉ Shirley.Hall@ely.anglican.org

This Term's RE Liaison Groups

The RE Liaison Groups this term are looking at Christianity and the Natural World ('Eco RE'). This is specifically linked to the Church Schools Eco Project (see above) and the sessions will include an opportunity to hear something about the Eco Schools initiative. However, the RE materials have been designed to also '*stand alone*' and will be suitable for use in all schools.

Thursday 12th September – Wormegay

School, West Norfolk – Eco RE

Wednesday 18th September – Barrington

School – Eco RE

Wednesday 25th September – St Luke's

School, **Cambridge** – Eco RE

Thursday 26th September – St Peter's Junior

School, **Wisbech** – Eco RE

Tuesday 1st October – Farcet School – Eco RE

(**Thursday 3rd October – Swaffham Eco Tech Centre** – see above and advert)

Tuesday 29th October – Bishop Woodford House, Ely – Islam

Wednesday 30th October – Great Paxton

School – Eco RE

Tuesday 5th November – Linton Infants

School – Eco RE

Tuesday 12th November – Westwood Junior

School, **March** – Eco RE

Meetings are free and are open to colleagues from both church and community schools. Sessions start at 4.15pm and last approximately an hour. The *Diocesan RE Lending Collection* is available for borrowing and browsing from 3.45pm onwards. Teachers requiring resources on particular topics are invited to ring the Resources Centre on 01353 652725 a few days in advance of the meeting to ensure that the right stock is brought to the session.

More Bishop's School Visitors needed!


On **September 17th** we shall be re-commissioning many of our team of Bishop's School Visitors for another three years of service. The Bishop's School Visitor is an important link between the Diocesan Board of Education & Training and the church schools, and a regular friendly visitor in their allocated schools. Although, we are pleased to report, the majority of Visitors are able to continue in this ministry, we now have about four vacancies on the team, which we are anxious to fill.

All of our Bishop's School Visitors have particular links with schools – some are retired teachers, others have done long service on school governing bodies, whilst others have worked in the school system as advisers, inspectors or youth workers.

We also need them to be people who have those all-important church links and can empathise with both church and school.

Does this sound like someone you know, or, indeed, is it you?

If you would like to find out more about being a Bishop's School Visitor and what it entails then please contact Shirley on

 01353 652712 or


 Shirley.Hall@ely.anglican.org

Your Church Schools need you!

The School in the Church

'The School in the Church' is the title of two (identical) training days particularly for clergy and Readers to be held in Witchford Church on **Saturday 28th** and **Monday 30th September**. This course is for you if you work with primary school children in your church building and would like an opportunity to:

- Explore different 'hands on' ways of making your church building welcoming and accessible for school visits
- Discover how to plan a school visit to your church so that it can best support the requirements for teaching about Christianity in the County Agreed RE Syllabus
- Consider how a visit to your church can offer children opportunities for spiritual development
- Share good practice across the Diocese

Please contact **Ros Wright**, Secretary to the Ministry and Adult Learning Team, to book your place:  01353 652725, Bishop Woodford House, Barton Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4DX

 Resources.Centre@ely.anglican.org

The cost is £15 per day, to include lunch. CME and Reader Grants apply.

The course is being led by Shirley Hall & Revd Geoff Catchpole (CME Officer)

Teachers who wish to join the course and learn about some different ways of using the church building to support RE are welcome to join in on either of the Training Days. Please book with Ros (see above).

Your church is a treasure and a resource – how can you unlock and share that treasure?

More Diary Dates

- **New Heads Day – 2nd October**. This is an opportunity for all headteachers new to church schools, or new to schools in Ely Diocese, to meet with the Diocesan Schools team and be updated on support systems, policies and opportunities. Heads should receive a personal invitation separately for this event. If you have not yet heard from Ely and wish to be included in the day, then please contact **Sarah Sheffield** on  01353 612724.
- **Cathedral Days for Schools**. The annual Cathedral Days for church Schools filled fast, but there are still spaces on the Community School Days and Church Schools that 'missed the boat' are welcome to apply for these. The dates are **Tuesday 15th & Wednesday 16th October** and application should be made direct to **Jan Munt** at the Cathedral Centre on  01353 659668. The theme of the days is 'Famous People' and we can look forward to some (locally) famous visitors and a full day of activities.
- Why not look at the CME pages for details of training that can help collective worship and ministry in schools, such as the **Gospel Magic** sessions on **14th November!**

2 presentations of

Eco Congregation and Eco Schools

at **The Eco-tech Centre**, Swaffham in Norfolk.

Thursday 3rd October
2.30pm – 4.30pm
and
6pm – 8pm

Free and open to all
Interested?

Contact: Revd Nigel Tuffnell
(Diocesan Environmental Adviser) to register
The Vicarage, Low Road, Wretton,
Kings Lynn, Norfolk, PE33 9QN.

 01366 501075 or

 Nigel.Tuffnell@ely.anglican.org

Working with Children pages are written by Gill Ambrose who can be contacted at the Diocesan Office or at home on 01223 511717

The Diocesan Children's Council and Bishop Woodford House present

All Saints and All Fools

With Roly Bain, clown and priest
Saturday 2nd November in Ely Cathedral
6.30pm–8.30pm

For some years the Children's Council has marked All Saintside with a **Saints Alive** event in the Cathedral. This year we are working together with the Retreat House to present an evening with Roly Bain, the clown. Roly came to the Lay Odyssey at Caister last year where his contributions were welcomed by everyone. But there are still many who have not yet enjoyed his clowning presentations, which are for all ages.

The evening will begin with a Saints' trail around the Cathedral for children before Roly's show begins at 7pm.

Cost: £3 each which includes the Cathedral Saints' Trail, and a little wooden All Saintside prayer focus for each child to take home.

Book by sending in the booking form with a cheque payable to Ely DBE to The Resources Centre, Bishop Woodford House, Barton Road, ELY, Cambs CB7 4DX.

Godly Play Courses & News

The next **Godly Play courses** will be on

Saturday 12th October 10am–4pm

Thursday 17th October 10am–4pm

In the **Godly Play Classroom** at Trumpington Vicarage. Cost to be £20 single person, £15 each for more than one person from a single church or benefice. To book ring **Ros Wright** at the Resources Centre (☎ 01353 652725) or ✉ resources.centre@ely.anglican.org

Since it opened last September, more than 200 people have attended courses in the Godly Play Room at Trumpington on the edge of Cambridge. Many have come from within the Ely diocese, but people have also come from as far away as Hull, Chester and Worcester. Many of those people are now using the Godly Play approach in some of their church's work with children and one or two parishes have found a way to create a Godly Play space somewhere in their church premises. One such place is in Woodditton Church, near Newmarket. Sarah Douglas, one of the leaders involved writes:

'We began with the five of us who had been on your course getting together in January and deciding how we were going to do it. One of our main problems was space. For practical purposes the area under the tower seemed the only possibility. It is separated from the church by iron gates and a thick curtain. At that time

it had two child-sized tables and chairs, a large table, several cupboards and a lot of junk! Looking at the photos now, we wonder why we never did anything about it before.

We decided that it would be best to split the groups into two, giving us approximately 8 in each group. The older group is from age 10–14 and the younger from age 3–8.

We wanted to do Godly Play with each group and decided to give them two sessions in the room each, followed by two in the vestry.

Our next step was to convince the rest of the group. At the next planning meeting we set up the meeting room in as Godly Play a way as possible. We started with the Good Shepherd story, followed by questions, followed by the Nativity story from the Faces series.

We found the rest of the planning group, who had been wondering if Godly Play was really the route we should travel, were as taken with it as we were and only too keen to give us their full support.

The following two weekends saw groups of us turning out the area under the tower and transforming it into a Godly Play room.

We were very lucky as when approached by two of the group our local carpet retailer agreed to give us second hand carpet whenever we need it. (We have a problem with damp, so carpet doesn't last long.) We have also got a supply of cushions for the children to sit on. People donated bookshelves and also the side of a cupboard, which side on, is used as our focal shelves.

Sheila was completely inspired by the paintings of the Faces of the Journey and went off to paint us our own set! She also painted us the Risen Christ to hang behind the focal table. As our central fund reimbursed us for the course money we agreed to put it towards starting a collection of Godly Play materials from St Michael's crafts. The children were all amazed by the change.'

Child Protection Recent Developments

The most significant item in the field of child protection which affects those of us in the churches is the fact that the Criminal Records Bureau is now up and running, providing a comprehensive checking service for all organisations which work with children, young people and vulnerable adults. Checks may be made on both paid staff and volunteers. The diocese of Ely is already using the service to check all its paid workers on appointment. By the end of the year this facility will be available to parishes for the checking of volunteers also.

The checks are to be made through the Bishop of Ely's Office, which is the **'Registered Body'** for this purpose. What is on offer is a more efficient and fairer facility than we have ever been able to offer before. However, we wish to ensure that those who lead parishes are clear about the process of CRB applications and able to help and support all volunteers in their parishes through the process.

Training Sessions for Clergy

We have therefore arranged 3 half-day training sessions for clergy. Dates and times are below and we hope that all clergy will make every effort to attend so that they quickly become familiar with the process. In addition to the CRB advice, there will be training included on abuse, abusers and victims from **Julia Flack**, who has wide experience in this field as a Probation Officer, and **Ginette Boon**, one of the diocesan Child Protection Advisers who has experience of working with victims. **Marion Howard**, who works on CRB applications in the Bishop's Office, will be there to advise about the process and **Elizabeth Ingram**, the Bishop's Child Protection Representative will be present at some of the sessions. Please make this a priority. The meetings are being held around the diocese, on different days at a variety of times so there is some choice available.

Tuesday 26th November beginning at 9.30am and ending with a simple sandwich lunch at 12.30pm in Ely Cathedral Centre

Wednesday 4th December beginning at 9.30am and ending with a simple sandwich lunch at 12.30pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Monday 13th January 2003 beginning at 5.30pm with sandwiches and ending at 9pm at All Saints Inter-church School, March

Child Protection Training Evenings for lay people

We try to move these around the diocese so that people do not have to travel too far. But you are welcome to come from anywhere! This term's training evenings are

Thursday 3rd October at Stilton Church Meeting Room at 7.30pm (*Stilton is just south of Peterborough and just off the A1 trunk road*).

Wednesday 16th October at Downham Market Church Hall at 7.30pm

The evenings led by **David Waters** and **Gill Ambrose**. Please let us know if you are coming so that we know how many to expect. Either  resources.centre@ely.anglican.org or ring **Ros Wright**, the Resources Centre administrator on  01353 652725 during office hours, or **Gill Ambrose** on  01223 511717 where there is an answerphone if you need to leave a message.

ODYSSEY 2

Those who went to the first Odyssey last year will confirm that it was a highly successful occasion and may very well want to go again. Those who didn't should not miss the opportunity. It is at the same place, Caister-on-Sea, from 4th to 6th April 2003.

An advance poster has already gone out, and a full brochure should be available by early September. Your PCC should have it already on their agenda, so make certain you approach them to suggest that you might like to go.

Details of the full programme will include activities for youth and children. The **Fly Basketball team** and **Peter McCahon**, the escapologist, will be there, and a host of activities especially for children.

Further details from Odyssey 2, Bishop Woodford House Barton Road, Ely CB7 4DX.

 01353 652701 or

 bsr@ely.anglican.org

In the Resources Centre...

Our range of things to borrow continues to grow. Here are some things to think about.

The Liturgy Box

A box of things to help small children and parents follow and take part in church services together. These boxes are quite easily made from shoeboxes and a range of easily obtainable items. There is a box in the Centre, which you can borrow, and use as a model for making your own.


Godly Play story sets

There is now a duplicate set of Godly Play story materials, which is held in the Resources Centre for people to borrow, so that things do not need to be removed from the Godly Play Room. If you want to borrow things, please contact Ros in the Centre.

Christmas things

We now have a fairly extensive range of Christmas resources. For example, did you know that Playmobile provide a set of nativity story characters. We also have a number of felt items suitable for very small children. Perhaps you would like to think about this in good time for Christmas and see what is available.

Make the Christmas Journey: Travelling Crib sets

Last year we promoted here the idea of a travelling crib set, taking Mary and Joseph (and the shepherds and kings) to travel around the homes of different people in the community as they travel towards Bethlehem during the days of Advent. One idea is to use a knitted crib set and Ely MU office can supply patterns for this. Contact them on  01353 652718. One parish, which used this idea really

successfully, was the parish of Coveney, a very small village near Ely. You may remember the account in Ely Ensign shortly after Christmas. Another way of doing this is to use the really excellent Church Army Posada pack, which is full of ideas for organising this, and for ways of including the travelling Holy Family in Advent liturgies. The pack is free, though it is helpful to Church Army if you can provide a donation to cover its cost. A larger donation would, of course, support their work more widely.

To obtain the Posada pack contact

☎ 020 8309 9991 or

✉ information@churcharmy.org.uk If you want to have a look at it first, there is one in the Resources Centre.

Resources to Look Out For...

Switched On – Media Awareness for Families

This excellent pack, produced by The Mothers' Union, helps people to consider together the impact of the media on family life. There are really helpful exercises to help us address the idea that we need to help children and young people (as well as ourselves actually!) to become discerning users of the media – whether it is watching the TV, reading newspapers or magazines or playing computer games.

This is a really excellent resource in a field where not a great deal is available. It is well worth £5 and can be ordered (without postage) through the **Ely Diocesan MU Office**

☎ 01353 652718. Ring on Thursdays when the office is open, or leave an answerphone message.

Or get it (+p&p) from **MU Enterprises Ltd**, 24 Tufton Street, London SW1P 3RB or by ✉ enterprises@themothersunion.org

Roots

'Roots' is a new resource for working with children and young people in the church and for all age worship. From September it will provide material to explore the Lectionary passages in quarterly magazines which will be backed up by a website.

Each week in the children's section there will be a number of sections

- **Bible Notes** – comments on each of Lectionary texts
- **Set the scene** – notes about the preparing the worship space/meeting area
- **Getting started** – opening activities for a variety of age groups
- **Use the Bible** – ideas for looking at the Biblical texts with the children
- **Be creative** – art and craft, creative ideas
- **Work it out** – discussion ideas
- **Pray it through** – ideas and words for prayer

- **Music and other resources** – details of songs and stories and other material that you might draw upon
- **Extra stories** – to supplement the other material if you need it
- **An activity sheet** - (photocopiable) to work on and colour if you have extra time or to take home

Cost: One year's subscription to **Roots Worship** is £18. One year's subscription to **Roots Children and Young People**

🌐 http://www.rootsontheweb.com/roots_children.html costs £30, and a combined subscription is £42.

For more details look at

🌐 <http://www.rootsontheweb.com> where you can see sample copies as well as get details of prices.

The Project Worker, a Guide to employing staff in church projects

I have just finished going through a really useful publication, which I picked up while I was at the General Synod. **The Project Worker, a Guide to employing staff in church projects**, is written by Alison Peacock and published by the Church Urban Fund. An increasing number of churches or groups today are employing someone to do or co-ordinate their work with children and young people. This book provides details of just about everything you would need to think about before embarking on this, through the recruitment and interview process, appointment, monitoring of staff and disciplinary and grievance procedures. And if you think all this is beyond our means, there is also a section on fundraising for appointments like this!

It is available directly from **Church Urban Fund** - ☎ 020 7898 1829 or

✉ edward.venning@cuf.org.uk

They ask for a donation and in so doing state that the book costs £6 to produce. If you have any plans to employ someone in this sort of context, however vague your plans are, I consider it would be money well spent.

Not just Sunday: setting up and running mid-week clubs for children

By Margaret Withers, the Archbishop's Officer for Evangelism among children. Published by the National Society in their Getting a Grip Series at £3.95.

This excellent little book provides much advice on this growing area of work, including ways to find funding and working with the local authority.

Out of the TOYBOX

By John Hardwick and others.

TOYBOX is a Christian charity working with street children in Guatemala. This really excellent book provides a way to help children explore the ethical issues surrounding the marginalisation of so many of the world's children, through material for lessons in school or through a five-day holiday club. Many of you will know John Hardwick as he is based locally, so you will expect a high quality resource – and you will not be disappointed. The book is published by Bible Reading Fellowship at £14.99

Youth Work News

PARTY@THE CATHEDRAL

The 150th anniversary of the YMCA gave many of our volunteer youth groups and organisations the opportunity to gather together to share their skills and gifts and give thanks to God for their work with young people.



Stands displaying the work of groups such as the Guides, Young Farmers Clubs, Centre 33, CAYC and St John's lined the Nave whilst other groups prepared to lead the entertainment. The Barbecue was provided by the Scouts.

Party@theCathedral was a shared event between the Diocese of Ely, YMCA and CCVYS. Drama, Dance and Music was performed by various youth groups on stage under the Octagon of Ely Cathedral.



The worship was led by Bishop John and Hemingford Grey based band, '3:16'.

The Tenth 'Rave in the Nave'

The Diocesan Youth event, 'Rave in the Nave' took place on June 28th.

Over 680 young people from Cambridgeshire churches and secondary schools joined together for fun, fellowship and worship in Ely Cathedral.



Once again, the Nave was filled with plenty of things for young people to take part in and enjoy.

These ranged from Sports competitions, giant inflatables, Internet access and computer games on giant screens.



Christian bands and the 'Ten-Sing' youth choir performed on the Main Stage and two of the bands, 'Activate' and 'Expression' led worship during the evening. 'Activate' also visited secondary schools in the same week as the event.



Resources Centre

The Resources Centre is based at the Diocesan Office, Bishop Woodford House, Barton Road, Ely CB7 4DX ☎ 01353 652725
 ✉ Resources.Centre@ely.anglican.org **Open: Monday – Friday 9am–5pm.**



Extended Opening Hours

From April we are experimenting with keeping the Resources Centre open until 7pm on the 1st and 3rd Weds of the month. We hope this will benefit those working during the day. Please come and browse. Don't forget that apart from the extensive range of books to help with planning worship, children's and youth work, research etc, there are videos, drama and a few musical scores, parachutes, giant puppets and a set of plain MASKS with different expressions which have many applications. There will also be sets of GODLY PLAY materials, and we are adding to the collection all the time. **DO COME AND LOOK or give us a call to check if we have exactly what you want on 01353 652725.**

If you are travelling a long distance it is advisable to telephone first to check that the Centre is open.



12 th Sept	RE Liaison Group	16 th Oct	Cathedral Day for Schools
17 th Sept	Bishop's School Visitors commissioning	16 th Oct	Child Protection Training (Laity)
18 th Sept	RE Liaison Group	17 th Oct	Godly Play
25 th Sept	RE Liaison Group	24 th Oct	Issues of Ageing
26 th Sept	RE Liaison Group	29 th Oct	RE Liaison Group
28 th Sept	The School in Church	30 th Oct	RE Liaison Group
30 th Sept	The School in Church	2 nd Nov	All Saints and All Fools
1 st Oct	RE Liaison Group	5 th Nov	RE Liaison Group
2 nd Oct	New Heads Day	12 th Nov	RE Liaison Group
3 rd Oct	Child Protection Training (Laity)	13 th Nov	Space for the Spirit
3 rd Oct	RE Liaison Group	14 th Nov	Gospel Magic
3 rd Oct	Eco Congregation & Eco Schools	26 th Nov	Child Protection Training (Clergy)
8 th Oct	Cathedral Day for Church Schools	4 th Dec	Child Protection Training (Clergy)
9 th Oct	Cathedral Day for Church Schools	5 th Dec	The Gospel & our Culture
12 th Oct	Godly Play	13 th Jan '03	Child Protection Training (Clergy)
15 th Oct	Cathedral Day for Schools	4 th -6 th April '03	Odyssey 2 - Caister

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