# Tea & Toys

# Summer Term Newsletter

Welcome back to Tea and Toys for the Summer Term, we are so pleased to be back together again. We hope that you have had a lovely Easter.

Tea and Toys is run by our Children's Minister and volunteers who are members of Christ Church. We are open term time only from 1.00 to 3.00 and ask for a donation of just £1.50 per family, per week, this is an increase to cover additional costs however please only donate what you can afford. You might be interested to know what we do with this money, beyond maintaining toys and providing tea and coffee, and you'll see some more details below.

Can we remind all parents/carers that children remain their responsibility and must be supervised at all times. We are situated in a large hall where they may not always be visible - for their safety, please keep a close eye on them. During story time, we would very much appreciate your support in encouraging the children to remain quiet so that they can hear. However, we welcome lots of noise during song time!

Any help clearing chairs and toys away at the end of the session is always welcome and very much appreciated.

## Messy Church

You are invited to join us on Saturday afternoons, once a month, for some messy fun! All ages are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. As well as craft, games, stories and puppets, a meal will be provided for everyone. Donations of £1.50 per adult and 50p per child would be gratefully received. The dates for this term are  $14^{th}$  May and  $11^{th}$  June, for further details please speak to Jo.

# Holiday Club

We are hoping to run our annual Holiday Club for Primary School children (including those starting in September 2022) during the first week of the school holidays. For more details ask Jo.

#### Refreshments and Rubbish

We are serving Tea and Coffee from the hatch at the end of the hall and it would be helpful if you could place your cups back there when you have finished with them as this helps us greatly when clearing up. Please also dispose of any rubbish you have - there are bins at both ends of the hall. There is a bin in the ladies toilet for nappies.

# Support for Chu Chu

Tea and Toys supports a little girl called Chu Chu through an organisation called Compassion UK. She is 16 years old and lives in Ethiopia with her mother who is a peasant farmer. Our sponsorship enables her to participate in a church based programme to help her grow physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually, and we very much appreciate your weekly donations of £1.50 which enable us to do this.

### Dates for your diary

Below are our term dates. If you would like to attend our Sunday services at 10.30, you would be very welcome. We have a crèche and soft play available for very young children (3 and under), as well as Explorers and Climbers for those a little older, this is a fun session with bible stories, craft and games. However, we have also listed details of activities and services that may be of particular interest to families.

#### Summer Term 2022

Dates for your diary:Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April - first Tea and Toys Spring Term
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 4-6pm - Messy Church 4-6pm
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June- Half Term
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June - Messy Church 4-6pm
Sunday 19th<sup>th</sup> June - Father's Day All Age Service
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July - last Tea and Toys Spring Term

We welcome any suggestions/comments you may have regarding our sessions - please let one of our volunteers know.