

Eden's report for CTiS Forum

Neil Holmes

After a Year and a half of sick leave from Eden's we are sad to say that Neil Holmes has decided he is not well enough to return to his position as Operations Manager at Eden's. We are very sorry to be losing Neil and we continue to pray for him and God's healing in his life. A large amount of his time over the last year and a half has been spent in hospital and we praise God that he was well enough to come home a couple of months ago and has been improved enough to remain at home since.

Scoffs

Our termly evangelistic dinner night was based around an Italian theme last term as we were having a couple of Italians come to talk and sing. The young people ate Pizza and salad, followed by tiramisu for dessert. Then they listened to Giuseppe Longo give his testimony (interpreted by Jonathon Gilmore) and then he performed a song he had written to finish it was a really good time and a number of young people who are not Christians said how much they enjoyed it. We continue to pray that having heard how God can change lives for the better that they might want this for themselves.

Great Cornard Upper School Charities week

Eden's was one of the recipients of the money raised by this year's Charities week at Great Cornard Upper School. We were able to use the money to give the front of the building a much-needed new look. The windows were painted and custom made displays were put on to the window panes to describe what Eden's has to offer. A digital photo frame mounted in the window provides a rolling display of photos of the young people using the facilities and being involved in our other events.

We hope this will help to attract many more young people to make use of what Eden's has to offer.

The Noise 2010

On Saturday 29th May to Monday 31st May a group of 20 teenagers who attend Eden's project youth Centre in Sudbury set out to make a 'Noise' in their local community.

Young people are so often labelled as troublemakers but The Noise is about showing the community the exact opposite because 'Actions Speak Louder Than Words'.

They had asked local community groups and schools for nominations of projects that needed doing and then collected all the tools and materials they needed to complete the projects. The weather made Saturday quite hard work as the young people got very wet and muddy at Great Cornard Upper School whilst clearing and digging over an unused piece of land that the school want to turn into an allotment. On Sunday they spent the afternoon painting brightly coloured fences around the nursery play area at Wells Hall Primary School and on Monday they returned to Gt Cornard Upper School to finish the allotment, erect a fence around it and dig over some other unused land and put plants in it.

Due to Saturday's bad weather things got behind and they were not able to do the litter picking they had hoped to do around areas of Gt Cornard.

In the evenings the teenagers returned to Eden's Project for a well-earned rest where a meal was provided each evening. Thanks goes to Peyton Plaice chip shop, Dominoes Pizza, Waitrose and the Meat Inn who kindly provided some of the food.

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