



JUNE UPDATE

working with schools and churches to bring the Christian faith alive.

Living the Christian life: Andy, Suze, and George

In May we were invited into Millthorpe School to lead Year 10 RE lessons on the theme of 'Living the Christian Life'. The school had mentioned that pupils were struggling to engage with the topic, and so invited us to 'bring it to life' for them. It was a great opportunity to share what it means to be a Christian, particularly focusing on the themes of prayer and worship. We had the opportunity to share what the Bible teaches about prayer and why we believe that prayer is an amazing resource we have to connect with God. We were also able to discuss what it means to worship in community and the importance of church, as well as how we want to live lives of worship every day. In the final week of the May half term, we went on our annual team retreat to the Lake District. It was an amazing time of learning together, praying and building the team. We also had amazing weather which was a real bonus! A huge thank you to the Wooldridge family for their hospitality and use of their holiday let for our retreat time.



This half term we will be leading our It's Your Move transition programme for Year 6s across York, in which we generally visit over 40 schools in York over a 3 week period. Please pray for us as we prepare and deliver these workshops!



We would like to invite all of our supporters to join us for our regular prayer events. If you are able to share the event with your church, or anyone you think may be interested, that would also help us!

Our amazing Jen has put together a video showing a typical day for a YoYo schools worker! You can follow our YouTube channel for more from the team by searching for "YoYo Trust" on youtube.com. What else would you like to see us film?

PRAY WITH US!

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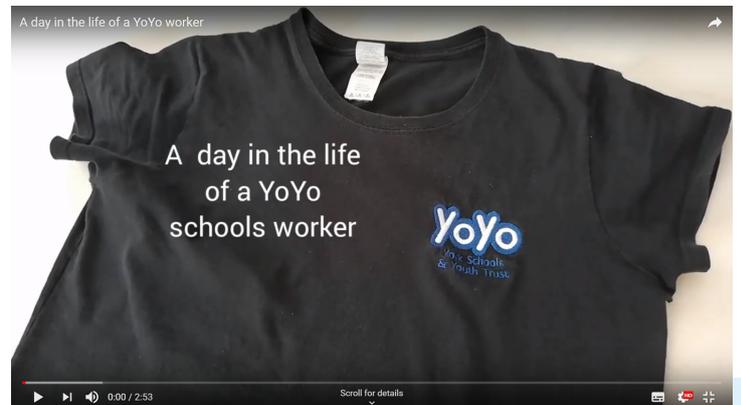
COMMISSIONING SERVICE

Join our team, trustees, and supporters to set up the YoYo team in prayer as we start a new academic year.

Sunday 22nd Sept 4-5pm
Holgate Methodist Church
Acomb Road YO24 4AE

All welcome!

For more information or to RSVP, contact us via facebook or office@yoyotrust.org.uk
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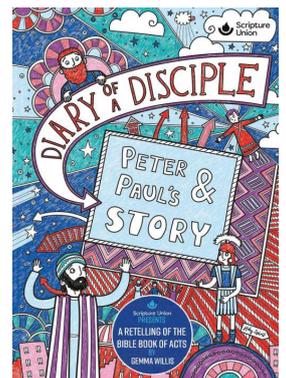


Week of Prayer: Marion and Tamsin

As a team we recognise the need to pray, intercede and hear God's voice for the ministries that we are leading and developing in schools.

In May we had our 'Week of Prayer', which is an important week that we set aside every year to pray more intentionally for our schools and city. Over the week we had the privilege of meeting with many churches where we shared YoYo's vision and gave space for God to speak. There have been some encouragements from churches as we have met them. Let us know if you would like YoYo to share in your church or home group so that we can see God at work transforming York.

This summer term is busy and exciting. We have a new lesson that Scripture Union is training us in called Diary of a Disciple. The first lessons will be in Huntington Primary School where we will be working alongside some of our fabulous volunteers. Stay tuned for more on this!



Create Workshops: Izzi and Jen

Year 3's and 4's across the city had the challenge of creating something new for us this half term. We visited 26 classes, exploring a different Old Testament Bible story with each one, and gave the children the challenge of creating an image from that story through a collage. We compiled these into a storybook for each class! They produced some fantastic artwork, learning more about the Bible story in the process. We then turned their books into videos retelling the story. Keep an eye out for these videos via the YoYo website and social media channels. This picture was from our workshop at St Oswald's School. Can you guess which bible scene it's illustrating? See below for some comments from the children!



With lots still happening in schools in the final half term the team are also making plans for the summer camps that we run in partnership with YCYH (York Christian Youth Holidays). These camps, for 8-18 year old children and young people, are action packed and give campers a chance to

hear about the Christian faith in a way that brings it to life, whilst also learning how to abseil and build a raft. YCYH post great updates on their facebook page, which is always worth keeping an eye on.

It was interesting and the best session I have had with YoYo!

Macie

It was fun and I really enjoyed the story!

Sam

I loved the voices on the video and loved seeing our pictures brought to life.

Oscar

Thank you to Year 3 at Heworth Church of England School for their comments about our Create workshop! Have you enjoyed a YoYo lesson, workshop, assembly, or service? We'd love to hear about it!



We value your prayer. If you would like to pray for us in your church or small group, please visit the 'Pray With Us' section on our website for more detail.

If you would like us to visit your church or small group, please get in touch!

Trustee update: Cathy

Thank you to everyone who came to our June Prayer Evening. It is so good to meet, share and pray together! We are very grateful to Archbishop Holgate's School for hosting us.

Peter Bullock, Vice Chair of Trustees and thus line manager for Tony, and during Tony's absence, Andy, has resigned as a YoYo Trustee as he and his wife are moving to Shropshire. Peter's wife is to be Bishop of Shrewsbury. Our grateful thanks go to Peter for his service to YoYo over the last five and a half years as a Trustee, as Vice Chair and as a Volunteer with the Team in schools. We pray for God's blessing on them both as they make this exciting move. Peter's resignation will leave a big hole, but we are delighted that another Peter, Peter Horsley has been appointed Vice Chair and Tony/Andy's line manager!

Andy continues in his role as Acting Team Leader until the end of June. Our thanks go to Andy for all his hard work leading the team during Tony's study leave. Please do continue to pray for Andy, Tony, the team and trustees as we continue to seek God's guidance together for the work of YoYo.

As we come towards the end of another academic year, it is amazing to reflect on all that has taken place and rejoice, but also set our eyes to the future. We are already planning for and looking forward to next year. We would like to warmly invite you to our Commissioning Service which will take place on Sunday September 22nd, 4-5 pm at Holgate Methodist Church.

Thank you all for your continued support!

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