

March 2019 - Already!!!

It has been an exciting and busy six months. Thank you to all who managed to get to Connect Sunday on the 10th of February to celebrate our first anniversary as well as the update on the activities of Connect. Ruth felt well supported.

Much has happened since Connect Sunday and if anyone would like to catch up with Ruth and get more hands on involved, the next Connect LSG (Local Support Group) is this Wednesday at Halwill Baptist Church at 7.00pm with traybake and tea / coffee at the start.

I hope that all who supported the Pancake and Quiz night on the 2nd of March enjoyed their evening and that I am forgiven for "Tweet of the Day" round! You may like to know that the evening raised £500 for Connect, who help fund Ruth (for more details of this, please ask / join us at an LSG)

The real excitement for 2019 to date has been the production of Corrie Ten Boom's memoir; "The Hiding Place" by Oddments Theatre, in Holsworthy Community College, arranged by Ruth. The story of this Dutch Christian family who helped many Jews escape during the last war only to end up in a concentration camp themselves is one that I have long loved and was delighted that it is now part of the GCSE curriculum's topic on the Holocaust. For those who didn't make it, it is well worth reading as it is both topical and inspirational for our time.

A shortened version of the production was seen by most of the years 9-11 children and an extended one was enjoyed by those who came. Although long in the dreaming, by the time it had gone through all the planning and negotiating needed by the College, it was rather short notice of the event. This presented its challenges, none the less, God is good and not only was it a real encouragement, but the income from the evening performance covered the costs of the daytime ones, just. We are all having lessons in "Walking on Water".

Ruth has been encouraged, as have we, by the arrival of some Christian members of staff at the college and she continues to work hard combining her TA / Chaplaincy role in the College with a busy life outside. She is actively involved on the staff at the Youth Club as well as local church youth groups and has joined the chaplaincy team at the market where she would like to develop a work among the young people who find themselves there during holiday time. Please pray for this and all the things that Ruth is doing, she is an important part of our outreach to the next generation

With best wishes

Sue (on behalf of HCCYC)