



Wakefield Cathedral

COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

OCTOBER 2024

School Age Children

Newton Hill Community School

All three KS1 classes came to the cathedral for Making Music workshops. After an introduction to the cathedral the pupils discovered how important music is to Christian worship. They learnt songs, played instruments inspired by the instruments depicted in our stained glass windows and found out about the cathedral bells. Alana Brook, our Assistant Director of Music, introduced them to the cathedral organ which they had an opportunity to play. They also played handbells and made jingle bell bracelets.

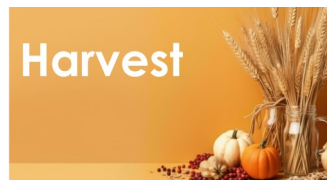


Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

We were asked to go into Halfpenny Lane School to lead collective worship for their KS1 pupils. The theme was sacred books and I talked about the Bible and explored the idea that it is a library of books. This is the first time we have been asked into this school to lead collective worship.

Heather Garth Primary Academy

We were invited into Heather Garth School to lead a collective worship about harvest. I used the theme of sharing and retold them the story of the feeding of the five thousand.



St Mary's Primary School

The Y5 class from St Mary's came to us for a Signs and Symbols workshops. During the workshop they discovered how the cathedral is used in Christian worship. They role played baptism and eucharist services. They learnt about prayer. They had opportunities to walk the labyrinth, make prayer beads bracelets and find out more about the cathedral using the Cathedral Quest.

Joseph Norton Academy

The Y8 class from Joseph Norton Academy came to visit Wakefield Cathedral for a bespoke workshop to support their work in RE about Christian worship. In the first part of the workshop they thought about what they expected to see in a Christian place of worship. They explored baptism at the font and eucharist in St Mark's Chapel. They found out about important Christian symbols and had an opportunity to walk the labyrinth at the end of the workshop.

Christian Nurture for Young People

Autumn Family Fun

For our half term family activities we took the theme of autumn. Activities included making autumn leaf suncatchers and collage hedgehogs.



collage hedgehogs



autumn leaf suncatchers

Adult Education

Our Year Afternoon Tea

As part of Wakefield's year long Our Year project and in partnership with Age UK there was an afternoon tea at the cathedral. As well as music we offered craft activities on a harvest theme which included making yarn corn dollies and food collages.



Tower Tours

On the last Saturday in October we offered people the chance to climb Wakefield Cathedral's tower. As well as having the opportunity to see the city from a different vantage point the participants were able to visit the ringing room where they were given a demonstration of bell ringing by two bell ringers. They then went into the bell chamber where they could see the bells.



Activity Monitoring

October 2024

PRE-SCHOOL
SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
CHRISTIAN NURTURE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
ADULT EDUCATION
WORK WITH VOLUNTEERS

DATE	ACTIVITY/PLATFORM	ONLINE	WEBSITE INTERACTIONS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	AGE RANGE
1 Oct	Board Games			2	36-50+
1 Oct	Cathedral Crafts			9	36-92
3 Oct	Making Music workshop Newton Hill Community School Y1			30	5-6/6 adults
5 Oct	Our Year Harvest Event with Wakefield Council and Age UK			39	2-70+
6 Oct	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	5 website page visits	N/A	
7 Oct	Making Music workshop Newton Hill Community School Y1/Y2			37	5-7/8 adults
8 Oct	School Outreach: Collective Worship Half-penny Lane J, I and N School KS1 – Sacred Books			119	5-7/5 adults
8 Oct	Cathedral Crafts			7	36-92
9 Oct	School Outreach: Collective Worship Heather Garth Primary Academy - Harvest			168	5-11/7 adults
10 Oct	Making Music workshop Newton Hill Community School Y1/Y2			37	5-7/8 adults
13 Oct	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	3 website page visits	N/A	
15 Oct	Cathedral Crafts			10	36-92
15 Oct	Board Games			2	50+
17 Oct	Signs and Symbols workshop St Mary's Primary School Y5			29	9-10/2 adults
20 Oct	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	8 website page visits	N/A	
22 Oct	Cathedral Crafts			7	36-92
23 Oct	Bespoke Workshop: Wakefield Cathedral Joseph Norton Academy Y8			8	12-13/3 adults
24 Oct	Chantry Chapel workshop 2 nd Cardigan Rainbows			16 + 1 volunteer	4-7/4 adults
26 Oct	Tower Tour			15 + 3 volunteers	20-60+
27 Oct	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	7 website page visits	N/A	
28 Oct	Autumn Half Term Family Fun			42 + 1 volunteer	<1-12