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Churches working together for young people—WCCYM is a partnership of village churches and exists to communicate the good news of Jesus Christ with young people in West Cambridge.

WCCYM Newsletter

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Churches working together for young people

Welcome to WCCYM's latest newsletter and events diary. You will find updates on what has been happening since the last summer newsletter, and plans for this term. It has been strange to make plans, when there is so much uncertainty with how schools and churches will be operating. We are assuming that our activities out of school will be online, with perhaps some additional smaller gatherings in person. Some of the schools work will be happening in person - more of that later in the newsletter. It will be important to check the WCCYM website and our social media accounts for details of events, due to the potential for plans to change.

Towards the end of the summer term, it became clear that WCCYM needed more funds to continue the current hours of employment for the 3 part-time youth workers. There has been a great answer to prayer as we have had an increase in financial giving, to ensure that we do not need to reduce any hours for the next 6 months, which is great news! It also gives more time to be able to explore applying for trust funds. Youth workers are back off furlough, which is great.

At the end of the summer term, we said goodbye and thank you to Teresa Taylor, who has been volunteering with the Lordsbridge Team of churches, and part of the WCCYM youth work team for many years! We will miss her so much, but it is time for her to do something else, and we are grateful for all she has done for young people and leaders.



The other WCCYM Team news is that Abi Grynlls (youth pastor at Gamlingay Baptist Church) is now Abi Graham! After rearrangements due to the current restrictions in place, Abi and Sam were able to get married in July, which is brilliant news!

Thank you for your continued support for WCCYM, it is greatly appreciated.
Susie Thomson, WCCYM Team Leader

Communicating the good news of Jesus Christ
with young people in West Cambridge

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WCCYM Weekend

After having to postpone WCCYM weekend in March this year, we had a new date booked for 11th-13th September. Sadly we cannot go ahead with this weekend in person, but have some great plans in place for the weekend to happen online, and with activities at home. Some will be on Youtube, some on Zoom, and there will be some resources sent home to use for activities at home. Anyone Yr 7 to Yr 13 can sign up to join in (email info@wccym.org), and take part in as much or as little as they would like to. Although it's not quite what we had planned originally, it should be fun, and a great way to kick off the new school year!

Thirst

We are planning for the 'Thirst' youth service to continue online for this term. It is held on Zoom, with time to catch up and play a couple of games, some sung worship (which people can join in with if they like, where no one can hear them!), a talk / reflection, and time in smaller breakout groups to chat.



Deeper - Discipleship Course



WCCYM's 'Deeper' Sixth Form discipleship course will be starting again at the end of September (with a final session at the beginning of September for last year's group). The group has been great for young people to be encouraged and challenged in their Christian faith, but also to support each other, and

pray for each other. We have some keen Yr 13s, who are looking forward to including some new Yr 12s in the group! Contact Susie (susie@wccym.org) for more information.

Summer Party

We had a great end to the summer term with our online party on Zoom. We had some great games, everyone made the effort to look summery, there were some excellent entries to the challenges set beforehand, and two leaders shared about how their faith makes a difference to them. It was a great way to end the term!



Schoolswork

Christian Union groups - We are currently making plans for the Christian Union groups for Comberton Village College, Cambourne Village College and Comberton Sixth Form. There will need to be more groups (due to year group bubbles in the colleges), and updates will be posted on the WCCYM website (www.wccym.org) and social media, about when and where the groups will be happening, as we finalise details with the colleges.



Pastoral work - Pastoral work will continue for students in the schools, and we will soon know more details about whether this will be happening in person, or online.

It's Your Move - In previous years, some of the local churches have taken an assembly or lesson for Yr 6s, about transition to secondary school, giving out copies of the Scripture Union book 'It's your move'. This year needed to be different, so we produced a WCCYM video for schools to use, personalised by the local churches. This was great fun to do, and many Yr 6s locally will have seen it!



Other opportunities - We continue to be involved in other schools work too, including assemblies, Personal Development lessons, Religion, Philosophy and Ethics lessons, and support for Christian staff.

WCCYM Quiz



After an enjoyable online quiz night in May, we thought we would run another one—this one is happening on Saturday 26th September! Put the date in your diary, find a team, and sign up by emailing info@wccym.org

Team Evening

T, E, A, M₃ Every term we have an evening for the wider WCCYM team, for both volunteers and employed youth workers. Last term we held the meeting on Zoom, and we plan to do the same this term, meeting on Monday 19th October. Details will be sent out nearer the time.

