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Bridge News: March 2014

- **Bridge Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday 1st March – **8am** at 32 Thames Ave, kindly hosted by Nick and Claire Wells of the Christian Fellowship. All welcome! Communication Team meeting at 9am at 10, Tidkin Lane, home of Graham and Audrey Johnson.
- **Guiz Kidz / TGI Sunday:** Sunday 16th March, 10am – 11.45am, Methodist church. Special Lent session.
- **Costa coffee worship:** Tuesday 18th March at 7pm. Back to the normal 3rd Tuesday ☺ come along and share in our monthly café church with music, talk and chat.
- **FoodStop:** we had a massive donation from Laurence Jackson School last month, meaning we are well-stocked with the basics; we will let you know if we run short on odd items (mid-Feb it was jams and sponge puddings). One of our volunteers has had a good idea: a “swapshop”: we always have a surfeit of baked beans and soup so bring along a less common item (e.g. puddings, tinned meats) and swap it for a tin of soup or baked beans.
- **NightLight:** this month has seen people attending the conflict management course and having DBS checks done, so there may soon be enough people available to send out teams on Friday and Saturday evenings. Do pray for our volunteers as they venture out on these cold, wet, windy nights when most of us are tucked up – they are doing absolutely sterling work. And there is always room for more observers if you’d like to try it out.
- **Salvation Army:** Sat 8th March, 7pm at the Citadel – Café Church with worship, music, supper and presentation on Human Trafficking. Tickets £3 from the Care & Share Centre. Presentations are also taking place in their usual Sunday services the following day.
- **Ecumenical Lenten meetings:** “Jesus at the table” – alternate Thursdays (at St.Paulinus) and Wednesdays (at the Methodist church) from Thursday 13th March to Wednesday 16th April. Each to start at 7pm with a frugal meal and continue with worship and table discussion around selected passages from Luke’s gospel. They will be led by various house groups from our churches. Do come along – many of us very much enjoyed the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January and this is an opportunity to build on that.
- **Kemplah Wednesday Lunch:** we have vacancies for new guests at the moment as one or two have moved into nursing homes or are struggling with long-term ill-health. If you have an elderly neighbour you think would benefit from getting out once a week, do let them know about Kemplah and pass on our contact details. It costs £5 for the 3-course meal which includes plenty of tea, coffee and biscuits, and £4 to use the Social Services transport (unfortunately this ceased to be a free service some time ago). We do provide a free Christmas lunch, gift bag, summer outing and Easter gifts in addition to this and we have a lot of laughter – especially with the armchair exercises we have introduced on our guests’ request!
- **Bridge2Youth:** thanks to everyone who came along to the very successful Countdown evening. Over £150 was raised to help furnish the youth room and congratulations to the winners, Graham and Audrey Johnson. We welcome ideas for a new daily afternoon Bridge project that will prevent them from watching so much Countdown..... Also prayers/volunteers welcomed for a new youth project we are trialling at the Laurence Jackson Youth Centre on Thursday evenings – speak to Shona for more information.

God bless, *Shona, Jenny, Chloe and Hunter*

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