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### Bridge News: September 2012

- **Bridge Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September – we missed August so we need to get 2 months of prayer in! **8am** at the United Reformed Church: all are very welcome. After a busy summer come and help us to pray for an equally busy autumn!
- **FoodStop:** this continues to be well-used and well-supported, so do keep the food and monetary donations coming in. Agencies such as the Job Centre have begun helping out with the food collection: this is a boost, and helps us in our quest to build bridges into the community.
- **Costa coffee:** The next Costa night will be on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 6.45/7pm: the theme will be “New Beginnings.” After discussion with the young people we are planning to have an “in-house” coffee and worship night at the Methodist Church on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Guiz Kidz / T.G.I. Sunday:** Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 10am to 11.45am in the Guisborough Methodist Church hall.
- **Kemplah Wednesday Lunch:** our costs for this project have risen substantially as Social Services are now charging us for the bus that brings our elderly guests in: £3 per person per return journey. This is a blow to us but we are extremely committed to the project and will make every effort to seek extra funding. Do let us know if you'd like to help in any way. We will need approx £30 a week to pay for this, and are keen not to pass the cost onto our guests, many of who are very elderly and increasingly frail.
- **Summer Holiday Clubs:** Exhausting, exhilarating and thoroughly enjoyable - our holiday club was a little earlier this year as we timed it to coincide with the start of the Olympics on the Friday. During the week we had more than 60 young people and about 15 volunteers helping to create a wonderful atmosphere as we shared the story of Jesus using Luke's gospel as our base. We are incredibly grateful for all the help during the week as we couldn't run without the skilled and committed volunteers who throw themselves into the activities.
- **Youth-worker:** Hannah Gowling will be working with us, building on her *Everlasting* experience: welcome to the team, Hannah ☺. We would still be grateful for extra volunteer support on Wednesday lunchtimes, Friday nights and Wednesdays after school – please think and pray about getting involved!
- **Fundraising:** do keep collecting your printer cartridges for us (not Epson or remanufactured though): I've just sent off a box of used cartridges to a recycling organisation that has earned us £75.
- **Bridge Annual General Meeting:** one of the highlights of our year of course!! This will be on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm** at the United Reformed Church. Do make sure this important date is in your diary if you're one of our voting members (ask me if you're not sure if you are one!) We have one or two trustee vacancies if you would like to consider joining the Board.

God bless, Shona, Jenny and Hannah

