



# PRAIZIN' HANDS PUPPET GROUP

## NEWSLETTER - JULY 2022 - ISSUE: 12

### GETTING BUSY AGAIN!

How wonderful it is to have had all three puppet teams back for a whole year now, after the COVID-19 disruptions!

Praizin' Hands are getting very busy, once again, and God is our guide as we move forward and get back to the work He wants Praizin' Hands to do for the building of His Kingdom. Bookings are coming in fast from schools, churches, and community fun days for the autumn term and into 2023.

### TESCO BLUE TOKENS

Praizin' Hands Puppet Group are one of the three charities in the blue token scheme at Tesco's for July, August, and September. Please help support us, if you are able to, by putting a blue token in our box when you do your shopping - thank you very much! This is operating in the main Tesco superstore, Blackfield Tesco, Tesco Express, Langdown and Tesco Express, Dibden Purlieu. Please share with family and friends. Thank you!



### TASTER EVENING FOR LITTLE HANDS PUPPET TEAM

We will be holding a taster evening for anyone who may be interested in joining our Little Hands Team on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September** from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Our Little Hands Puppet Team is for girls and boys in school years 7 to 13 (ages 11 to 17). If you know of any young person who may be interested in joining, please ask their parent or guardian to email [beverly@praizinhands.org](mailto:beverly@praizinhands.org)

### PRAYER FOCUS

Give thanks to God that the Little Hands team have been able to take part in three community events this year.

Please pray for suitable people to come forward to be stage crew.

Please pray for the Little Hands Taster Evening on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Please pray for our Little Hands members as they begin a new academic year in their schools, colleges, and universities, in September.

Please pray for each puppet presentation the PSHE Schools Project team have coming up. (Details can be found elsewhere in the newsletter)

Please pray for good health and protection for the Trustees, puppet teams and their families.

### AGM

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the Praizin' Hands AGM on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. It was great to be able to share the work of the charity and receive feedback from a couple of schools. Special thanks go to Serena for leading us in our opening Devotional, Fee, and Angela for organising refreshments, Matilda, Gay and Cary who gave team reports, Lynne and Fee for doing the counting of votes and to Mrs. Summers, Head of Wildground Infant School, at Wildground Federation who came to the meeting and reported how Praizin' Hands support their school in their learning. Thank you, also to all the Trustees.

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## LITTLE HANDS PUPPET TEAM UPDATE

Our Little Hands team are finally back out in the community! They took part in the Totton Family Fun Day on Saturday 11th June at Testwood School, then performed at the Relay for Life Event in Portsmouth on Saturday 16th July which was 24-hour event to raise money for cancer research. It was great to support this event that raised over £41,000. The puppeteers enjoyed a great social time throughout the day including visiting the various stalls and having their own water fight to try and cool off!



Little Hands also performed at the Heathy Haven Open Day on Saturday 23rd July, which was held at the Waterside Health Centre, Hythe.

We had an evening at Ferny Crofts on our last evening before the summer holidays where the team enjoyed Aeroball, pizzas, ice creams and yet another water fight!

Well done to the following puppeteers for receiving the following grades in puppetry:

Alanna – Grade 2

Matilda – Grade 4

Larissa – Grade 2

Laura – Grade 4

Sarah – Grade 3

Charlotte – Grade 9

Little Hands will be meeting back on Thursday 8th September.

Thank you to all our Little Hands puppeteers and their parents for their hard work and support and a big thank you to all the Little Hands leaders for their hard work over the year.



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## PSHE SCHOOLS PROJECT TEAM UPDATE

The PSHE Schools Project team have been busy doing “All Change” presentations over the past few weeks. This is a puppet presentation which helps children with the transition from Infant School to Junior School. They have visited the following schools:

Manor CE Infant School  
Eling Infant School  
Orchard Infant School – cancelled  
Marchwood CE Infant School  
Calmore Infant School  
Hazelwood Infant School  
Netley Marsh CE Infant School

Thank you to all the puppeteers who have worked very hard over the past year and thank you to Liz who has helped us out a huge amount in the summer term.

This team meets back after the summer on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September when they will be working on an “Anti - Bullying” (Teasing for KS1) presentation. Here are the schools they will be visiting:

Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	– Manor CE Infants
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	– St. Michael’s CE Infant School,
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October AM	– Copythorne CE Infant School
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October PM	– Netley Marsh CE Infant School
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	– Fawley Infant School
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	– Orchard Infant School
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	– Orchard Junior School
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	– Blackfield Primary School
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	– Wildground Infant School
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	– Wildground Junior School



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## BIG HANDS TEAM UPDATE

Our Big Hands team will be meeting back again on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September to rehearse for Christmas 2022. We hope to visit local schools who missed out last Christmas due to COVID, schools a bit further away and schools for children with learning disabilities and adult groups with learning disabilities.

If you know of any ladies who may be interested in joining this team, please do get in touch, email

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