



PRAIZIN' HANDS PUPPET GROUP

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CONTINUING TO GROW

Over the last few months we have welcomed some new members to our puppet teams. We have four new members for our Little Hands youth team and one new member for our Big Hands adult Christmas team.

We have also been contacted by some new schools who are interested in us visiting them. These new contacts have come from teachers that have moved from local schools where we have previously worked and have recommended us.

We are still looking for some helpers to help with the setting up of our equipment when we are out doing performances. If you are interested please get in touch.

The Trustees hope you all have a wonderful Christmas as we celebrate and give thanks to God for giving us the greatest gift of all, the birth of our Lord Jesus.

Thank you to you all for your involvement and support with Praizin' Hands over this past year.

IT WILL SOON BE CHRISTMAS!

If you are doing your Christmas shopping online with Amazon why not use Amazon Smile? The website looks exactly like the standard Amazon website, but you can select Praizin' Hands as the charity you would like to support. We then receive a small donation on most purchases you make. Just search for 'Amazon Smile' to find the website.

We are also registered with Easyfundraising which is linked to a number of retailers. So when you place your order with them online, we receive a donation. Just search for Easyfundraising and download their app. Then when you are shopping online the app will advise you if they are able to make a donation. If you order your weekly grocery shop online, then you could be making regular donations to Praizin' Hands.

It costs you nothing but helps to support the work of the puppet group. — Thank you.

PRAYER FOCUS

Give thanks to God for our new members in Little Hands.

Give thanks to God for our new member in our Big Hands Christmas team.

Please pray for new members to join each team and for general crew so we can continue in the work we do.

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 each Christmas puppet presentation the Big Hands team will be performing and for protection over the Christmas period (Details can be found elsewhere in the newsletter)

Please pray that grants and donations will come in to help finance the ministry of Praizin' Hands.

TESCO BLUE TOKEN SCHEME

Thank you to everyone who has supported us with the blue token scheme when you have been shopping in our local Tesco stores.

We have not heard yet how much we have been awarded, but will let you know in our next newsletter.

The grant we receive will be used to purchase a new range of puppets to support our personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) topics in schools.



LITTLE HANDS PUPPET TEAM UPDATE

We were delighted to welcome 4 new Puppeteers to the Little Hands puppet team, in September. Naomi, Hannah, Jenai and Talia have all settled in well and are learning important puppetry skills as they go along.

Sadly, we had to say farewell to Charlotte as she went off to start at Oxford University this term. Charlotte has been a puppeteer for 7 years and she worked hard over the years to reach a high standard of puppetry. We will miss Charlotte very much but look forward to seeing her when she comes back in the holidays.

Our Little Hands team have been working towards a couple of songs for 2023 and have now started rehearsing a couple of items to show their families in December.

On 3rd November we will be having sparklers and playing a game with glow sticks and on Thursday 10th November we will be having a trip to McDonalds. On Thursday 15th December we will be having a Christmas party.

BIG HANDS TEAM UPDATE

It has been wonderful to welcome Faith to our Christmas team, and we look forward to getting to know her better over the next few months.

The Big Hands team is a very friendly group of ladies who would love to welcome more ladies to the puppet team. We would also love to welcome general helpers (male or female) who can help regularly or maybe every so often with the setting up of the puppet stage.. If you are interested and up for an exciting new experience of taking puppets out in the community, giving important messages, then please do email beverly@praizinhands.org.uk.

Our Big Hands team are busy rehearsing for their Christmas programme which starts at the end of November. Please see below a list of venues and dates we will be out and about:

Monday 21st November – Dress Rehearsal – All Day
Wednesday 23rd November – St. Michael's and All Angels CE, Lyndhurst, Infant School
Monday 28th November – Kane's Hill Primary School, Thornhill – 2 performances
Wednesday 30th November – Netley Marsh CE Infant School
Thursday 1st December – Waterside Primary School
Monday 5th December – Forest Park Secondary site
Wednesday 7th December – Copythorne CE Infant School –
Thursday 8th December – Calmore Infant School
Wednesday 14th December – Eling Infant School
Thursday 15th December – Colbury House Nursing Home, Calmore
Friday 16th December – Rosewood School – 2 performances
Sunday 18th December – Lyndhurst Baptist Church – 10.30am service – Everyone is welcome

PSHE SCHOOLS PROJECT TEAM UPDATE

Our PSHE Schools Project Team have been busy putting together a 'Teasing' presentation for Infant schools and a 'Bullying' presentation for Junior schools. The schools and dates we will be doing this are as follows:

Thursday 6th October – Manor CE Infant School
Friday 14th October – St. Michael's, Lyndhurst, CE Infant School
Monday 17th October AM – Copythorne CE Infant School
Monday 17th October PM – Netley Marsh CE Infant School
Thursday 20th October – Fawley Infant School
Monday 31st October – Orchard Infant School
Thursday 3rd November – Orchard Junior School
Friday 11th November – Blackfield Primary School – 2 performances
Monday 14th November – Wildground Infant School
Monday 17th November – Wildground Junior School

