

30th March Mothers Day

To celebrate mothers day Run Ragged (Sunday school) organised a celebration breakfast, toast, biscuits and cups of tea. This was followed by a service with the children leading the proceedings, with songs, bible readings and prayers there was a pianist and tape recordings and about 25 in attendance

It is hoped to repeat this event on Easter day, Sunday 20th April, with the addition of a Easter Egg Hunt for the children during breakfast.

Tuesday May 20th

Halesowen Brass Band will be with us again with a program to commemorate the start of the Great War in 1914

So far this year

Baptisms 2

Wedding blessing 1

Funerals 2

Services to look forward to

The Anniversary will take place on

Sunday Ma 11th 6.00 p.m.

Conducted by :- Mrs. Carol Jenkins

(Stourbridge)

Repetition:-will take place on

Sunday May 18th 6.00 p.m.

Mrs. Jill Guest

(Cradley)

You will be welcome to any Sunday evening fellowship beginning at 6.00p.m.

Coffee Mornings

Last Friday of each Month

At 10.30a.m.

NOT DECEMBER

WE LOOK FORWARD TO

SEEING YOU ALL

Two Gates Ragged School



Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to this our 40th newsletter celebrating the mid-summer anniversary on 11th May.

Looking back to Christmas, advent began with a Chris tingle service where the congregation joined together in making a Christmas novelty from a tangerine, cherries, sugared sweets and other novelties telling a Christmas stories.

Gift day was shared with a junior choir 'Young in harmony', this was a delightful evening.

The chapel was decorated with our 15ft Christmas tree and overhead were 1800 twinkling lights.

Our own ladies sang a medley of carols to celebrate the Nativity, on the 15th December.

We felt it necessary to borrow 50 chairs in preparation for the Carol service on 22nd when Halesowen Brass Band lead the worship. Every chair was used.

In 2013 major work was carried out to combat woodworm, then in 2014 damp was showing in some of the panels and further remedial work had to be carried out in the new year.

In the early part of the new year our ladies gathered to have a session of cleaning, sweeping and polishing. This is one of the regular chores that are carried out which are sometimes forgotten.

THANK YOU LADIES!

Over the last couple of months we have been making use of the projector system for Sunday evening worship. A programme has been produced to use during baptisms it was received with some enthusiasm.

In February we were informed of the death of our oldest member, Mrs Anne Turner, she had been a member of the Sunday school since 1915 and a chapel member all of her adult life. The congregation in attendance at her funeral service on 25th February was an indication of the esteem and affection in which she was held.

1910-2014 one hundred and three years.

Coffee mornings have continued to be a resounding success with an attendance of upwards of sixty people gathered on the last Friday of the month, with a special treat of pancakes on the nearest coffee morning to Lent.

Friday march 14th, 90 friends gathered for a Faggot and peas evening, people came from far and wide for the meal and to be en-

tertained by 'Marlene and Mary' black Country Comediennes.

All agreed it was a most enjoyable nights entertainment.

'Run Ragged' continues to function on Sunday afternoons 2.15pm – 3.30pm. Debbie and Ann are still enthusiastic but the number of children in attendance is still disappointing.

April 12th Cradley Heath Male Voice Choir entertained with an evening of song

Run Ragged's first year has been full of exciting events and Ann and I continue to be thankful for the opportunity to bring Jesus to the lives of children. We have 3-6 children attending each week and all enjoy their time with us. During the past year we have held parties, provided activities for Christening services, took part in the Christingle service, held successful "Mom's breakfast" and service, built a boat and overall had a great time. Debbie.