

Hunsley Christian Youth Trust



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BrightLine Band To Visit South Hunsley In December

We are incredibly excited to finally be able to announce that in December the Manchester based band 'BrightLine' will be visiting South Hunsley School the 14th to the 18th December.

BrightLine are a 4-piece indie-pop band based with 'The Message Trust' in Manchester consisting of Jacob (guitar, vocals), Katrine (vocals), Daniel (beatbox, keys) & Joe (drums & percussion).



During their week with HCYT in South Hunsley the band will lead R.S lessons for all school years, lead all the assemblies, run lunchtime clubs & put on a gig on Thursday 17th December in Riding Hall at South Hunsley. The band will do this by playing their music, leading activities & sharing their stories.

On their Facebook page the band say 'The word BrightLine means to bring clarity to unclear situations by setting the basic standard. For us as a band, the basic standard is love. To love God and to love people.'

In the build up to this event we would love for local churches to be praying for the preparations & we will be looking for volunteers to help steward the gig & get involved with the week nearer the time.

You can check out the band at: facebook.com/BrightLineBand



Introducing Beth Cooper

Beth Cooper - HCYT Gap Year Worker

Hello, I'm Beth. I have just finished my A levels at Wyke 6th Form College where I studied Music, English & Textiles. Music is a huge part of my life and has led me to different places & allowed me to meet lots of new people. I sing in a local Christian band, theREIGN, but the rest of the time I am an amateur trombonist living the high life in the back corner of various orchestras and bands! Music has taken me on tour to many different places, such as Italy, Germany and Croatia, & I even performed an original piece with my jazz orchestra at the Royal Albert Hall in 2013 (which was great fun)! I'm also into other stuff like sewing & a bit of drawing, but that is swamped somewhat by my love of music!



My role with HCYT is basically being Mark & Rob's slave for a year, fulfilling whatever crazy tasks they throw at me to complete. Aside from that, I will be taking up the role of leading the youth in All Saints' Church, Brough on Sundays & some days during the week alongside joining Mark & Rob in their time at South Hunsley School.

I decided to do a gap year because I have no idea what course I would do at university so, rather than getting a job or travelling, I have decided to spend this year with HCYT because I feel like God is pushing me in this direction. For the last two years I have been helping out in the 11-14 Swanland youth group, GLOW, & it has been incredible fun! I have really got to listen to the youth and get used to their ideas, and it's been great to see them develop in their faith and learn more about God together.

I am excited about the next year with HCYT as it allows me to meet many new people & really get to know the youth group and members of the church well! I love people so this is going to be fun. I am also looking forward to experiencing the youth as they grow together over the next year.

Prayers for confidence, patience, & preparedness would be greatly appreciated! I look forward to joining the team!

SPARK Update

Rob Peirson - CYM Student Youth Worker

Over the last few months of SPARK we have continued to have speakers retelling their favourite bible stories in a way that is relevant to the young people. This has given young people a space to explore these stories, & how they relate to their lives.

The speakers have included the one and only Mark Tiddy, & the youth worker from Cherry Burton Phil Simpson, (who incidentally was my youth worker while I grew up)! We will continue with this theme for another term, as it has been so successful, & completely changes the dynamics of SPARK, allowing the young people to have more control over the discussion times.

School's Worker Update

Mark Tiddy - Youth Facilitator & Schools Worker

I always forget how mad the summer term is until it approaches & I find myself trying to juggle, what feels like, 3 jobs!

Last term I had the privilege of joining 3 Year 8 form groups for 3 days at Ribblesdale where we walked up a mountain, had a go at caving & spent time doing all sorts of other activities. Alongside that I was invited to join the history department on their trips to Beamish & Thackray museums and, for the 6th year spent 2 days with the Geography Department for their development days which included hearing stories from Asylum Seekers from Open Doors in Hull & throwing water at year 10!

We also delivered some transition lessons at Elloughton, North Cave, Brough, South Cave & Swanland Primary Schools alongside presenting year 6's with the 'It's Your Move' book...in total this year we have given out nearly 300 'It's Your Move' books & worked with more primary school's than ever before!

Finally, this term I have really appreciated having Rob around as I've been able to take on more activities myself & hand the leading of Christian Union, Discover & Explore over to him (he's done a fantastic job!).

Thank you for your ongoing prayers & support for our exciting work.

Lunchtime & After School Club Updates

Rob Peirson - CYM Student Youth Worker

Explore - The group that Mark has worked with since they have been in year 7 have just finished their GCSE's. During the exam period we helped them revise, & gave them space to relax before exams. This has helped strengthen relationships in the group, & allowed the group to set their own agenda, helping to empower them to take charge.

It has been a pleasure to see this group explore spirituality during the past two years & I hope we will continue as they enter Sixth Form!

Discover - As part of the expanding work that we are carrying out we started 'Discover' at the beginning of this academic year. This is a group that allows young people to explore faith & what it means in their lives. Over the past few months we have established a core of young people who attend almost every week, & have been engaging well with various topics we've explored.

Christian Union - Christian Union continues to serve a small group of young people who are not able to attend a youth group in their own church. The group often set their own agenda for discussion & some of the reflections they make astound me.



Termly Prayer Guide

We hope this prayer guide will aid you in praying for our work

September - *Be beginning to pray for December's BrightLine Visit*

- Be praying for the new intake of Year 7's at South Hunsley as they begin their time at secondary school, find their way around and settle in.
- Be praying for Beth as she begins her gap year with HCYT.
- Be praying for Mark, Rob & Beth as they start up activities for the new term and plan the term's programmes.

October - *Be continuing to pray for December's BrightLine Visit*

- Be praying for SPARK as we continue exploring bible stories with a variety of guest speakers sharing their favourites.
- Be praying for Mark, Rob, Beth, Phil & Andrea as they lead the 'Back To The Future' residential between the 23rd & 25th October. Also be praying for all the young people attending the residential weekend.

November - *Be continuing to pray for December's BrightLine Visit*

- Be praying for our lunchtime clubs 'Discover' & 'Explore' as they continue to use a blend of games & discussions to engage young people with faith.
- Be praying for Rob as he continues his final year of his youth work degree whilst working with HCYT & St Barnabas' Church.

December

- Be praying for Mark, Rob & Beth as they finalise preparations for the BrightLine visit later this month.
- Be praying between the 14th & 18th December as BrightLine visit South Hunsley & spend a week leading assemblies, lessons & clubs.
- Be praying for the BrightLine gig on Thursday 17th December, that lots of young people would attend & be challenged by the band's stories & songs.

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- ☐ Becoming a volunteer/helping at events
- ☐ Receiving this newsletter by e-mail
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- ☐ Setting up a standing order to financially support HCYT
- ☐ Donating a sum of money (Please make cheques payable to Hunsley Christian Youth Trust)

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