

## Cornerstone News – November 2023



### Staffing

We are still advertising for a **Kitchen Manager** and a **Cook**. For more information see our adverts or contact me. We increased the pay rates for both these roles last month, so do pray we find the right candidates.

### Free breakfasts

We served 57 free breakfasts over the half-term holiday. We are very grateful to those who did extra shifts or donated money towards the cost of this. The cost was completely covered by donations and the recipients were all very grateful to us.

### Make and Bake for Under 5s



We are delighted that Make and Bake is running again – almost every Tuesday in term time from 9.30-11am. The cost remains at £2 per child to include drink and activities. Do tell anyone you know who may be interested. We will be running 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November (not 7<sup>th</sup>).

### Volunteers

We are still looking for a couple of volunteers to help on Saturday afternoons 2-3.30pm washing up. We've recently had a number of volunteers join us during the week – which we are very grateful for.

### Advent

Advent Sunday is on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, and we have a selection of Advent study books on the shelves, also advent candles and advent calendars (traditional and chocolate).

### Christmas goods

We are now starting to fill the shelves with Christmas goods – we have a number of Christmas cards and gifts on display. There are also the ever-popular Hannah Dunnett calendars as well as mugs and coasters. We do also have lots of **Fairtrade** chocolate including chocolate coins and we have tea, coffee and various other groceries.

### Out and About

On 28<sup>th</sup> October, we took part in the Wellington Gate fair, serving refreshments and advertising the work of Cornerstone.

We will be having a stall at the Dickensian evening on 1<sup>st</sup> December and the St John's Christmas Fayre on 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Sarah is also speaking at Grove WI on 1<sup>st</sup> November.

### 28<sup>th</sup> Birthday

This month we celebrate 28 years of the Cornerstone in Grove. Give thanks for God's faithfulness through the years.

### Monthly hot meal special

We are not planning on providing a hot meal special in November due to staff shortages. If that changes we will send an email to our mailing list and advertise on our Facebook page and in the café, so keep an eye out.



**Christmas Lunches**

We are still not in a position to commit to any Christmas lunch dates. However, we do plan to have some Christmas specials on the menu in December. You are very welcome to book a table and we will definitely have our very popular mulled punch on offer.

**Prayer breakfasts**

Our monthly prayer breakfasts continue on the second Saturday of each month. The next one will be on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November** at 8.30am and I look forward to you joining us for croissants, tea, coffee, prayer and fellowship.