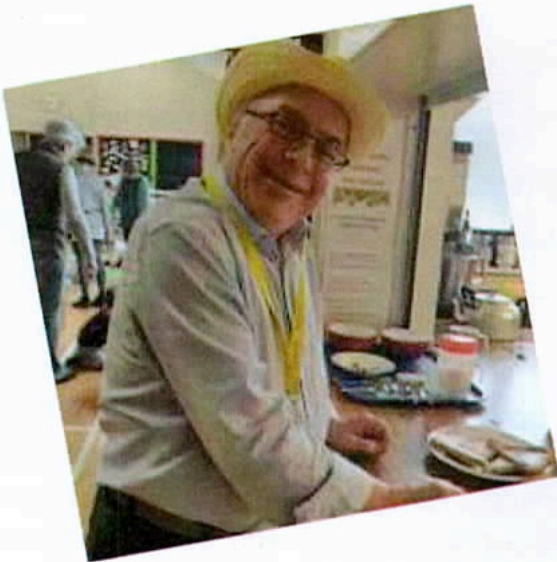


News from Babes and Tots

Tuesday mornings are full of fun and joy in the Hall as week on week during term time we have an average of 50 parents/carers and pre-schoolers attending our babes and tots group. Sessions start at 9.30am and include free-play, tea and toast and song and story-time. Over the last 12 months we've been using a resource called 'Little Seeds' which has given us a focus to our time together based around a story book - we've recently been reading -The Rainbow Fish, The Squirrels that squabbled and the Hungry Caterpillar. Some of our parents are second language English speakers so are encountering these stories for the first time themselves. The St Pauls' pre-school group has been running for several decades now, with groups running twice a week before the covid pandemic.



At the current time we only just have enough volunteers to run one session a week. We are therefore sad to hear the news that the wonderful Clive B is stepping down as a babes and tots helper at the end of the summer term.



Clive has been an absolute stalwart of babes and tots, opening and locking up, moving equipment from the stage, greeting everyone at the door and making sure everyone is happy. He will be very much missed.

With Clive's absence, the team for babes and tots is much reduced and we need your help especially with arriving early and getting out the equipment before children arrive. If you'd like to come along to a session to see what kind of help is needed please do have a chat with Clive, myself (Becky), Diana K, David V, Eileen C or Joyce G



It's a brilliant opportunity to meet some younger parishioners, have a chat with parents and carers as a way of showing our love and care for them. As part of that duty of care we do ask all our volunteers to undertake the Church of England's basic safeguarding training which can be done on-line (Carole and Becky can assist with this) and to undertake a DBS check (again Carole can advise).

