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Good Afternoon  
CoCoChu.....



## REGIONAL GATHERING THIS SUNDAY



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**All the Latest news at CoCoChu.....**

Good afternoon CoCoChu,

This Sunday we are hosting our regional gathering. Please stay for a jacket potato and some pudding and give our guests the famous "COLWALL WELCOME". We have plenty of help for the main tasks but we could do with some welcomers to make our visitors feel "at home". Something we have always been so good at in Colwall.

A note from David our high vis extraordinaire:

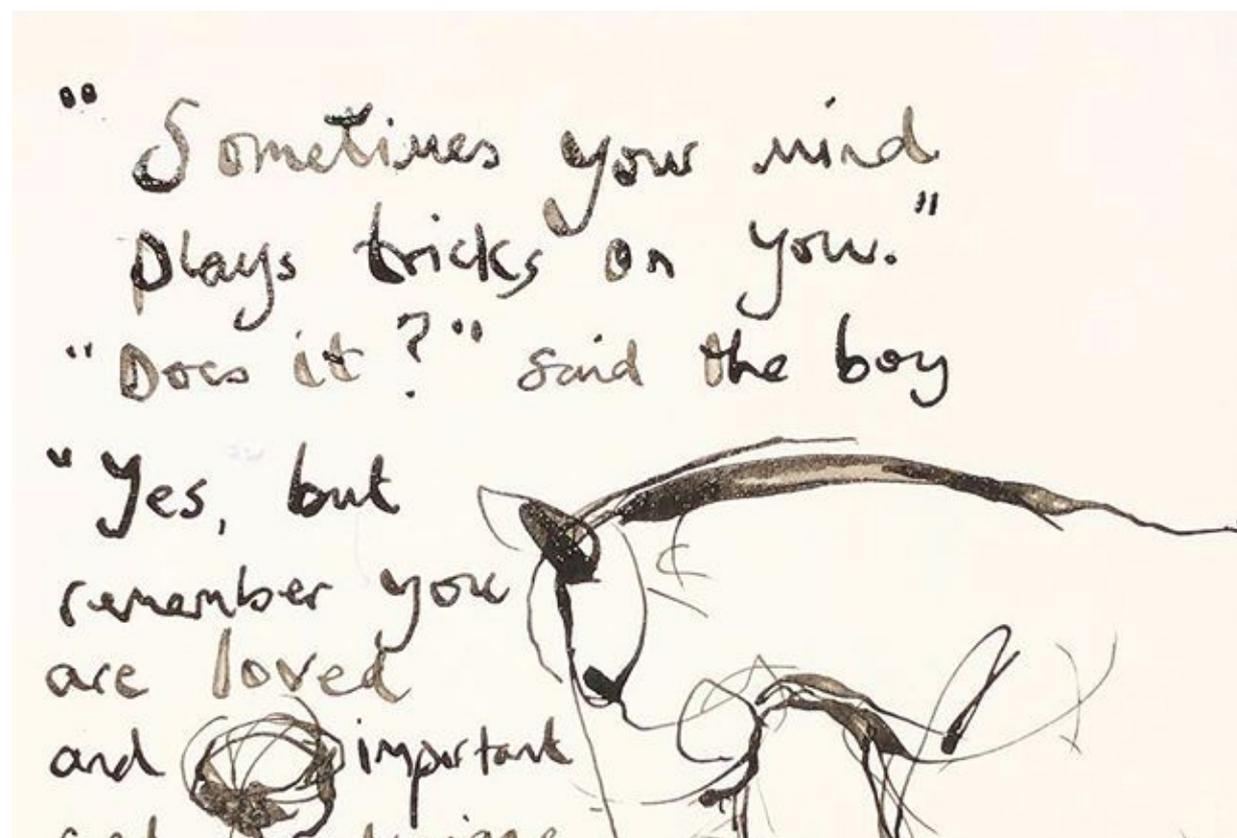
- \* if you can avoid bringing a car on Sunday, thank you
- \* if you need to drive to church, but can park off-site, try Jon & Jill's house - Briarcroft at top of Mill Lane - or Mary and David's - 5 Martins Orchard opposite Mill Lane.
- \* if you can help with parking at the school, please let David know (540882) as only one person has volunteered so far

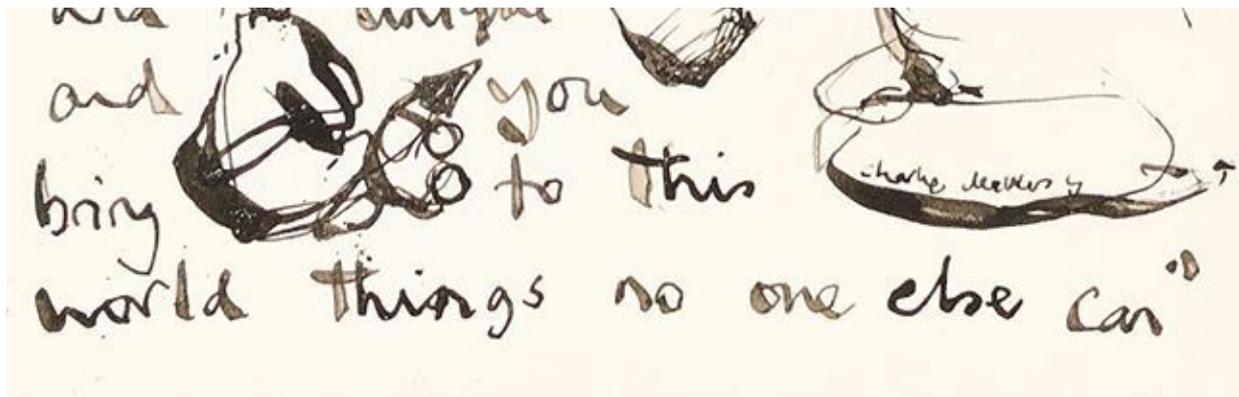
**The school will be open from 8.30 am for helpers to flood the school :-).**

I wonder how many of you have heard of Charlie Mackesy? He has drawn hundreds of illustrations. I, personally follow his Instagram and love the messages of hope he brings you may recognise him as a speaker on the alpha course too.

Charlie's work features in books, private collections and public spaces, including Highgate Cemetery in London, in hospitals, prisons, churches and university colleges around the UK, and in women's safe houses around the world.

His journey with the boy, the mole, the fox and the horse has consumed him. He lives in their world a lot of the time and has made a book of these illustrations. They really reflect a hopeful world of heavens perspective. Here's one that YOU all need to remember, stop listening to that head of yours!!! :-o





### **What's been going on at CoCoChu this week.**

- We have contacted the churches coming to visit us this Sunday to give them some housekeeping details about the school and some practicalities. We are looking at approximately 150 in total including CoCoChu. It will be great! Come willing to help and serve our visitors. If you cant help, chat. If you cant chat, eat :-o. There is something for everyone.
- The steering group have been completing actions from our last meeting. There is a lot to do following our pre-planning advice meeting. Although we were hoping to achieve full planning by the end of the year it is now more likely that this will be achieved around Easter time, maybe later. This is a process that cannot be rushed if we are to get it right. There are various actions that need to take place prior to this. Once full planning is acheived we then have 3 years to build so timing is a huge factor.
- Tom and Jon have been sorting out our "Easy worship" purchase to use on Sundays. I'm sure you will agree that Sunday was a very "smooth" service. Sarah was working her headset (reluctantly haha). I'm sure the leaders will get used to wearing a decent microphone.
- I have been keeping our rotas up to date and adding them into church suite so that you receive your weekly reminders.
- We are looking at electronically booking in our children into church on a Sunday morning using "Church Suite". This ensures we know who is here and that we "know" about each child; allergies, medical information etc. Becoming a bit more pro and in the know. This may take a few weeks to get up and running but will be extremely useful.
- Sandie has plans for measuring up our storage cupboard at Walwyn Road and getting it sorted for space for our new youth worker. We will be arranging a working party soon to help sort this. Thanks, Sandie for your care and organisational skills and also for thinking ahead.
- Tom has a meeting on Friday with Herefordshire Council where the Youth Worker will be joining to look at Funding opportunities available in Herefordshire. Pray that this creates new opportunities.

### **AV and Sound - AWESOMENESS!!**

How amazing was the sound at the school on Sunday? It makes such a huge difference to the quality of a church service, that we can HEAR what is going on. Jon, we are so grateful for the effort you have put into this! It's really amazing! If you see Jon. Tell him :-)

### **Youth Work**

Colin and Jo who run the youth church twice a month showed the Youth a very thought-provoking video on Sunday about God's heart. This is what they were looking at: [Youth Video from Sunday](#)

### **Quiet Morning**

Jill's Advent Quiet Morning is fast approaching! It would be good for Jill to have an idea of numbers ready for preparation. This is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the joy of advent with thankfulness in our hearts.

### **Wednesday 27th November 9.00-1.00 at Briarcroft - Jill and Jon's.**

Please let Jill know by - text/email/phone. Please also feel free to contact the office to book your space.

### **Office Hours**

I will be doing some flexible working for the next little while. You can still contact the office via e-mail or telephone (once the diversion has been set-up), Generally I will be available mornings. I will have a solid day in the office every Wednesday 9 am-4 pm if you want to pop in. Otherwise, I will get back to you ASAP. The diversion for the church phone should be set-up by next week. I will provide an update in next weeks newsletter.

### **Matters for prayer**

Andy was in the office a few weeks ago reminding me of the importance of regular prayer over certain situations in church life. Here is a list for everyone to get praying over. If we have important prayers to pray, get sending them into the church office. Put the power of corporate prayer behind it!

- Pray for our new youth worker
- Pray for our Steering Group and the Silver Street Project
- Pray for the fire and power of God in Colwall Church
- Pray for the outreach in the village (Christmas services that the village would come along)
- Pray for families
- Pray for our Leadership Team (ALWAYS)
- Pray for those in our church family going through hardship
- Pray for those that are carers
- Pray for those that are tired and weary that God would give them rest

### **THIS SUNDAY**

#### **Sunday 17th November**

Paul Hunt is our guest speaker! A total legend! Sharing on the Kingdom of God. Cannot wait!

**Aslan groups** Will be looking at Matthew 15 v 21-28.

Stay DRY CoCoChu and have a nice warm brew :-)

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## **Dates for your Diary-**

### **Colwall to host - Regional Service - Sunday 17th November**

A regional Salt and Light gathering at Colwall Primary School, followed by a shared lunch at the village hall

### **Silver Street Prayer - Sunday 24th November @ Walwyn Road 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm**

A time of prayer led by Tom for the Silver Street project and all the nitty-gritty detail offered to God.

### **Advent Quiet Morning - Wednesday 27th November 9 am-1pm**

The much talked about "quiet time" that Jill organises is coming up again soon. So many people have heard from God during these times. Come and join us for a time of reflection and inspiration in preparation for the advent season.

### **Alehouse Lunches - 4th December 12.30 @ the Ale House, Colwall.**

The Alehouse lunches offer an opportunity for older people of the community, often living on their own to come together, share a home-cooked meal and enjoy the company of old friends and new. Carers or close family members are also welcome. Transport provided (no charge).

### **Carols by Candlelight / Fairy light Sunday 22nd December 5pm**

A Christmas family celebrations for the village - open to all. Traditional carols and videos.

### **Christmas Day Service @ Walwyn Road - Wednesday 25th December 10.30am**

A short service offering praise and thanks for all he has done.

Want to share in giving?

CoCoChu is entirely supported by the giving of people who come here. If you would like to speak to someone about giving, then see anyone of the leadership team who can point you in the right direction.

Our giving is totally anonymous to all but the finance team – most people give by standing order, but if you prefer there is a black box for offerings and donations on the welcome desk. If you are a tax payer please do sign a Gift Aid form to enable the church to recover tax and make the money go further. Once completed these can be put in the black box.

Bank details if you need them are: Colwall Community Church 09-01-54 73133709.

By everything I did, I showed how you should work to help everyone who is weak. Remember that our Lord Jesus said, "More blessings come from giving than from receiving." Acts 20:35

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