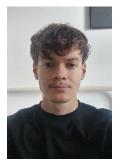
CIST OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



'The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.' James 5:16

Dear supporters, at the beginning of this year, I want to say on behalf of the team a massive thank you for your continued support of the Lord's work in our schools, whether it be prayer, financial or both. At a time when faith in schools is continually being marginalised, it is an immense privilege for the trust to have contacts with over 40 schools in the Stockport area who see the value of our work and continue to invite our staff into their schools. Without your continued support this would not be able to continue, and this valuable ministry would be lost. Please continue to pray for our staff as they have several new things to contend with this year:

- 1. Please pray that the new lessons to fit in with the current curriculum which have been prepared over the summer will be well received.
- 2. Please pray that as we begin working in some new schools, they will see the value of our work and invite staff back so we can build meaningful relationships with them.
- 3. Please pray that our new prayer space will engage those who use it and provide them with food for thought.
- 4. Excitingly, we have formed a new partnership with Hazel Grove Baptist Church. The church has agreed to allow their intern to spend some time volunteering with the trust. A big thanks goes to pastor Mark Paddon for seeing the value in this and allowing it to happen. Please pray for Luca as he joins us and shares with the young people he meets.



Here is some information from Luca about himself:

My name is Luca Wink. I'm from Germany and have decided to spend 10 months in England. I have a younger brother (15) and a younger sister (12). In my free time, I do a lot of sports (mainly free running) and I spend time with my girlfriend. I'm interested in fashion. Jesus plays the biggest role in my life. I'm very happy to have the opportunity to serve in church during my stay, improve my English and help with the work of Christians in Schools. I'm really looking forward to it and feel very positive about the experience.

Our website has been updated over the Summer so please take a look at <u>www.cist.org.uk</u>. Any comments or feedback would be welcome!

We would love to share more with you by visiting your church so please do ask your church leaders to invite us along.

PRAYER POINTS

Please can I ask you to continue in your prayers for our team? As we look at our calendar for this term, our staff are more or less fully booked up and this can put a lot of pressure and stress on each member. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's presence and inspiration in every activity undertaken, protection from the Devil, good health, endurance and enthusiasm.

There are new schools we'd love to serve, but currently we do not have the staff of finance to do so. Please pray that God will provide through his people both personnel and finance.

Yours on behalf of all at Christians in Schools trust, Steve Innes (Chair of Trustees).