



#### What's going on at Network Youth Church?

It's been a fantastic summer term at NYC.

Amongst many other things, we have been busy working with our local schools and churches to help prepare Year 6 children for a smooth and happy transition to secondary school in September.

We celebrated Andy Ward's ordination at the Cathedral, hosted 'Ablaze' in the north, shared resources at our stall on Ordination Saturday and celebrated the work of all our children, youth and family leaders at Lambeth Palace.

As we look forward to the end of term, we are busy preparing to take young people to various Christian summer camps and festivals up and down the country before enjoying some well-deserved holiday.



## Soul Fuel at Windermere NYC

Young people from Network Youth Church in Grange Over Sands are studying Bear Grylls book Soul Fuel. A fantastic devotional of daily readings which explores themes including friendship, failure, courage, risk and much more. They enjoy games and Bible study together and share a delicious meal. NYC Leader, Chris Mason has been helping the young people to think about developing God Confidence - the importance of putting their trust in God who is always there to guide them, hold them and strengthen them..



# Supporting successful transitions to secondary school

Helping to prepare Year 6 children for the move to secondary school is an important part of the work and ministry of Network Youth Church. Every summer term, we work with our school- based colleagues, local churches and NISCU leaders to prepare and deliver lessons, workshops and transition days throughout the diocese.

In Brampton and Longtown, NYC Leader Ruth Hutchinson has designed a fantastic passport resource which she has been using to deliver transition lessons in the primary schools in her patch. The children loved completing their passports to demonstrate that they were secondary school ready.



# Pray with us...

Loving Lord, we pray for those who would like to find out more about you and those who know little or nothing about the Christian faith. Please stir up curiosity in them to find out more and give them encounters with you. Amen.





# NYC goes agricultural!

This summer, NYC has worked in partnership with Restore on the road and the Methodist church to be a Christian presence at three of the county's agricultural shows.

Many people enjoyed our stand with it's refreshments, games, prayer spaces, and craft. The team had hundreds of conversations in which we were able to promote the ministry of Network Youth Church across the county and signpost young people to their local NYC.



# Ablaze North 2025

Seventy-five young people had a fantastic time at the third Ablaze North in early June!

They tackled a 100ft inflatable assault course, engaged in crafts, football, unihoc, and drumming, and found out more about SNYC.

God's tent returned, courtesy of Carlisle Cathedral, serving as a prayer and chill-out space for reflection.



Take a peek inside our projects...





#### NYC Carlisle

Over the past six months, Carlisle NYC has continued to re-establish connections and launch new initiatives following the arrival of Samuel and Karla Coswig as new NYC Leaders.

NYC has started a new project in the Raffles area of Carlisle and supported three others led by local churches and NISCU whilst also reconnecting with young local leaders.







It was joyful to celebrate
Andy's ordination in Carlisle
Cathedral. He will be greatly
missed at NYC and we wish
him and his family every
blessing in their move to
Kendal and parish ministry.



# Learning about prayer at Windermere NYC

This month, NYC Leader Chris Mason led a team from local churches to encourage Cartmel Priory School students to think about prayer. They explored topics like injustice, forgiveness, compassion, thankfulness, joy and peace.

There were lots of opportunities to ask questions, hear stories and participate in prayer. The students enjoyed meeting two Sisters from Boarbank Hall, who shared how they dedicate their lives to prayer.



# Pray with us...

Loving Lord, we bring to you the children and young people of our diocese. We pray for those who already know the are your children. Please protect them, bless them and surround them with opportunities to deepen their faith in you.

Learn more about Network Youth Church: www.networkyouthchurch.org.uk



## Indoor picnics and encounters with God

The young people of Ignite Friday Night have been learning about encounter's with God. They enjoyed an indoor picnic and wondered whether Elijah had a picnic on Mount Horeb on the way to meet God. They shared their experiences of silence and held a silent prayer space as they reflected on the idea that people can encounter God in silence.

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#### Network Youth Church and Beyond...

This summer, we have begun inviting young adults aged 18-25 to help us explore how best to engage this age-group as we seek to support them to flourish in their Christian faith beyond NYC.

The first of these evenings was hosted by Brampton NYC. Seven young adults representing Brampton, Whitehaven and Windermere enjoyed getting to know each other, axe throwing, burgers and chips and talking about what they thought would help them to grow in their faith.

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