

ASD GAP Report for the AGM October 2020

These 18 months have been a very successful period for all involved - lots of positive interaction and practised discipleship for all the leaders involved with the mums, dads, grandparents and their little ones from the community on a weekly basis. Some true, lifelong friendships have been initiated. This is all good as these parents will see each other in school playgrounds and parks for many years to come. Here is proof, if any of us need it, that coming alongside people in real love and friendship allows you to open the suggestion that they may be seeking to know more about Jesus, and also allows you to fill that hole little by little. None of us will ever forget this time or this opportunity.

However, as a result of the Covid pandemic, these sessions in church came to an abrupt end in March this year. Michelle and I continued online however through the Easter holidays and to the end on July with GAP at Home. This involved 10 min YouTube Bible stories and many suggestions for related activities. They are still there for anyone to use. This was coupled with a Zoom coffee and chat for many weeks.

As children grow up so quickly and life moves on, on top of the continued Covid restrictions, we have not reopened yet. Michelle sees many of the mums socially and they are still in touch through our WhatsApp group. We are signposting to Rev Rosie's Bears and Prayers in the Pirate Park on a Friday morning.