

# Holiday Headlines

St Nicholas Holiday Club

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## Life in a Mess

On Tuesday we heard how God made everything from nothing, and gave people the "stewardship" of the earth. That means we're responsible for taking care of it. But too often things go wrong and the world is damaged by pollution and greed. Today there is news of forest fires in Greece which are spreading out of control and causing a lot of injury and damage. In Madagascar, about 90% of the rainforest has been burned and the land is scarred by erosion as the soil is washed away.

We heard the story of Noah and the great flood, which would have swept away all people and animals, except that Noah listened to God and built a huge ark to save his family and the animals. We can also play our part to look after the land and animals, starting at home! Here are a few things you can do:

- Help sort out things which can be recycled
- Clean out your pets
- Do some weeding or watering in the garden
- Find a new use for something old
- Give away the things you have grown out of to someone who will enjoy them

Or just spend some time enjoying being outside in God's beautiful world!



## Keep on praising!

We were treated to another memorable performance by the Burd Family Puppeteers with their version of the story of Simon the Pharisee and the woman who washed Jesus feet.

## Something to remember

Did you learn the verse yesterday? Here's another to practise. Tell them to your team leader when you arrive in the morning.

*The law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death*

Romans chapter 8 verse 2



## Bring a Prayer!

Only Brian North could have made the amazing rotating prayer board. It has a side for each team – red, blue, green and yellow. Don't forget to bring in anything you'd like us to pray about. You might want to draw or write a prayer, or even bring a photo of someone in your family. Prayers can be saying "thank you" to God for something you have enjoyed, or you might want to ask God to help your friends or family in a special way.

Fifteen years ago, when Alison was at a holiday club in Cambridge, the leaders were a bit surprised when she brought a prayer request for 2 million pounds for her dad to build a lab in Oxford to make new medicines. The next week a businessman came up with the money and here we are! (and the medicines are helping a lot of people). Don't be shy to ask God anything – we think he specially listens to children's prayers