

Prayers for June & July 2022

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Joshua 1:9

1st June – 15th June

- Thank God for the **Team Retreat** held in April and for the spiritual practices the team learned about. Pray for them as they apply what they learned and for the positive start to the term.
- **Transition Support Groups** will be delivered at the start of June, led by Emily and the team. These will take place at Christchurch for students who are particularly anxious about moving up to Hitchin Girls’ School, Hitchin Boys’ School or The Priory School in September. Pray for the students taking part and for the team leading the groups.
- Thank God for David Rossall, James Bainbridge and Matt Cartwright who took part in the **RideLondon-Essex** event on 29th May. They each cycled 100 miles to raise vital funds for Phase!
- Pray that the training being delivered by **Hope Virgo** on 6th and 7th June around supporting those with eating disorders, is of real help to school staff, parents and youth workers both locally and nationally.
- Thank God that the **Phase prayer group** is restarting on the second Tuesday of each month at 5pm. We are really grateful that there is a team of people who feel so excited about the work of Phase. Please lift up their prayer time and ask God to give them words of encouragement, Bible verses and other signs for Phase work.

16th June – 31st June

- The Phase **‘Fair in the Square’** takes place on Saturday 18th June. On this day pray for the volunteers and staff as they set up the event and welcome visitors. Pray that there is a great atmosphere, lots of engagement from members of the public and we successfully raise funds and awareness of our work.
- In June and July Emily and the team run the third **It’s Your Move** workshops for Year 6 pupils. As the end of the school year and their time at primary school draws closer, pray for the children who take part in the workshops, that they find them engaging and useful and that they feel confident and reassured about moving to secondary school.
- Pray for all of the young people who receive **Phase 1:1 mentoring**. Thank God for the positive changes the team have seen in some of the young people recently and ask for patience and understanding for the staff and volunteers who provide this support.
- On the 24th and 25th June **Kieran** is away with staff from The Priory School. Pray for the time they have together as a team, that Kieran will be able to share the passion Phase has for young people and school staff.

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- Pray for the **support staff** in Hitchin schools - teaching assistants, lunchtime supervisors, sencos and 1:1s. Ask for blessings on the relationships they have with children in their care, especially where the children have additional needs.
- Thank God for his **faithful financial provision** for Phase. We were so excited and thankful to have another regular supporter sign up in May.
- The **Trustees** meet on 6th July. Ask God’s blessing on them and for a productive and positive meeting.
- Lift to God all of the **non-academic staff** in schools - those in the office, kitchen, facilities and specialists. Ask for each of them to feel like part of the whole school team enabling learning for young people. Where there are staff vacancies we ask God to bring forward brilliant people to take up the posts.

16th July – 31st July

- Pray for **Kieran** as he speaks at Holy Saviour Church and **Hannah** as she speaks at Wymondley Baptist Church, both on **17th July**. Ask God to give them new words and ideas especially for those attending that day.
- Thank God for the support from the Hitchin community for our individual **fundraisers** and those willing to set up events and stalls on behalf of Phase. Ask God to bless these individuals as they give their time for our benefit and bless the money that they raise for us.
- The **school term** ends on Friday 22nd July. Pray for the students and teachers as they take a break over the summer, that those moving to new schools feel peaceful, that families have good quality time together and that teachers have a good rest from work.
- Pray for **Amanda** as she wrestles with moving all our contact data into Donorfy, enabling, in the longer term, more efficient and relevant communications with all supporters.