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BROADSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH @ BROADSTONE MIDDLE SCHOOL

*Over the course of the next few weeks our Assistant Pastor Steven Driver and our Youth and Children's Worker Sophie Phenix are visiting Broadstone Middle School to give talks during regular Religious Education lessons. Sophie will be giving us reports and feedback and this News Bulletin is **Part Two.***



Last Tuesday (8th October) Steve and I (Sophie) taught two more lessons at BMS about creation. It has been interesting to see how the kids in the different classes react to what we are teaching. It was chucking it down with rain today and we were able to link this to the fall and how sin has affected all of creation, not just us and our hearts but also the creation around us and our relationships with God and with each other.

The first class we taught today asked a lot of questions surrounding baptism such as:

- Do you have to be a Christian to be baptised?
- What does baptism mean?
- What is a Baptist?

This was great as we were able to explain what we believe about Baptism as a church, how we baptise people and about our own personal feelings around baptism and when we were baptised ourselves.

We also had many other interesting questions such as:

- Do we have proof of God?
- Why does God allow tsunamis?
- If Adam and Eve were made perfect, how did they sin?
- What is a Christian?

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The class we taught in the afternoon were a lot more engaged and had many questions, so much so that we couldn't remember all of them afterwards! It was a rapid quickfire of questions which Steve answered amazingly, and I piped in to answer the questions I could give an answer to.

Here are some of the questions that we were asked this time:

- What do Christians believe about the big bang?
- Do you believe that Dinosaurs existed?
- What is the difference between holy water and normal water?

We were also asked about what the word Christian means and why we are called that. Steve explained that the word Christian means 'Little Christ' and how it was originally used as basically an insult, but it stuck and now we call ourselves Christians 'little Christs'. This basically means that we are followers of God, we are disciples of Jesus.

Sophie Phenix

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