



Hello, if you are going away for a Summer Break – or even staying at home for that matter, may I wish you all a peaceful and restful time – and hopefully we’ll all see a little sunshine too.....?

All the Stops have ceased now for our Summer Break – please see the diary as I’ve listed all the Start-back dates for September. Please do pray that the youngsters – who have been attending each Stop in record numbers over the past few weeks – will remember the restart dates for their particular Stops. Please pray too, that they will have a good time away from school, but not forget that God loves them.

**New Bus**

Our chosen Coachbuilder is having difficulty getting materials, so we will not have the new Bus here in Boston until October / November, but we will keep you posted about that and nearer the time, we will be inviting you all to join us for a special Commissioning Service as it we put it to work!.

Everyone involved with the Project is praying like mad, that the current Bus will keep going until the new one is ready to take on its duties – please do hold us in your prayers over this matter too?

**Boston Borough Council Beach Party**  
Boston Big Local have provided finance once again this year to enable Boston Borough Council to organise a Beach Party in Central Park. The sand, is actually already there and being used by lots of children, but the plan is for a special Beach Party to be held over the two days of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> August, with loads of free entertainment - which we plan to attend with the current roadHoG Bus. Last year, you may remember, John and his Team were frantically welding the Bus ready for its MOT and we had to use our faithful old Gazebo for the event. This year though, we should be able to take the Bus into the Park for both days.

Last year we gave out approximately 200 free drinks on each of the two days and we met some wonderful people - of all ages.

Please do come along to the Park this year and say hello and perhaps join us for a drink and possibly build yourself a sand castle?

**Tony Coe**

The procurement and conversion of our new Bus has only been possible by the amazing fundraising work of Tony Coe, so I’ve asked him to let you all in on just how he managed to raise so much money in such a short time – and also to give you some

insight into the Schoolwork that he does. Remember, he was undertaking the fundraising whilst also keeping the schoolwork going – he deserves a holiday more than most I think.....

**Over to you Tony:**

The project has had a fantastic summer, despite our faithful bus limping a bit at times. In the summer term, the bus has visited eight schools, on numerous occasions. In June and July, the project made contact with 1145 young people and during our community visits prayed with 28 young people.

One memorable day, I travelled to St Mary’s Swineshead, to deliver two lessons, followed by St. Nicholas Academy in the afternoon and topped off by a community to visit to Woad Farm in the evening. I have never poured so much water into the cooling system of the bus, just to get me from A to B! Fortunately the next week, John put some ‘super-snot’ in, which has given the engine cylinder head gasket a bit longer life....but for how long!

The schools always appreciate the bus visiting and the feedback from the 30 young people on the top deck having fun is always positive and quite a number take up the invitation of visiting the bus when it is out in the community. The lessons

always provide an opportunity to encourage each young person as well give me a chance to share something of my life experience through faith. A highlight for me was being invited to the year 6 of Staniland leaving assembly, where the children presented the project a cheque for £508.56 towards the new bus! Wow! Recently reading the building of Solomon's temple, I read in 1 Kings 6:7 "In building the temple, only blocks dressed at the quarry were used, and no hammer, chisel or any other iron tool was heard at the temple site while it was being built" As I read this, it made me understand how our supporters and our management group have been 'dressing the stones' in preparation

for the conversion of the bus. Our supporters have been praying for us, resourcing us and helping us get everything ready so there will be 'no sounds' as the bus is built from the end of August to the beginning of 2024.

The setback of reaching our £100k target in March only to find our bus would actually cost around £160k, was soon overcome when The Lord bridged the gap with funding from the Benefact Trust, the Boston Municipal Non-Education Charity and the Bicker Wind Farm Trust all within two months!

Praise God with us.

The management group have spent much time taking young people's ideas and applying our 14 years-

experience, to go over and over the design with our chosen coachbuilders in Blackpool.

It has been a real testimony of God's will and faithfulness for us to continue to be "***the House of God on the road***" to the young people in the town of Boston and surrounding villages.

Tony

I'll end this Newsletter as I usually do, by thanking everyone for supporting us through prayer and financial giving – but especially form your prayer.

Bless you all,  
Kev!

roadHoG Stop dates and times September 2023								
	<u>STOP</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>STOP</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>Depart</u>
<b>Fri 1st Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sat 2nd Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sun 3rd Sept</b>	Sibsey	1:30pm	2:00pm	3:30pm	Kirton	3:40pm	4:00pm	5:30pm
<b>Mon 4th Sept</b>	Woad Farm	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Tue 5th Sept</b>	High Street	6:30pm	7:00pm	8:30pm				
<b>Wed 6th Sept</b>	Fishtoft	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Thur 7th Sept</b>	Swineshead	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Fri 8th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sat 9th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sun 10th Sept</b>	<b>roadHoG at Celebrate Surfleet in Glen Park Surfleet (PE11 4DB) from 11am</b>							
<b>Mon 11th Sept</b>	Tunnard St	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Tue 12th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Wed 13th Sept</b>	Fenside	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Thur 14th Sept</b>	Butterwick	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Fri 15th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sat 16th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sun 17th Sept</b>	Sibsey	1:30pm	2:00pm	3:30pm	Kirton	3:40pm	4:00pm	5:30pm
<b>Mon 18 Sept</b>	Woad Farm	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Tue 19th Sept</b>	High Street	6:30pm	7:00pm	8:30pm				
<b>Wed 20th Sept</b>	Fishtoft	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Thur 21st Sept</b>	Swineshead	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Fri 22nd Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sat 23rd Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sun 24th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Mon 25th Sept</b>	Tunnard St	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Tue 26th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Wed 27th Sept</b>	Fenside	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Thur 28th Sept</b>	Butterwick	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Fri 29th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sat 30th Sept</b>	<b>No Stop</b>							
<b>Sun 1st Oct</b>	Sibsey	1:30pm	2:00pm	3:30pm	Kirton	3:40pm	4:00pm	5:30pm
<b>Mon 2nd Oct</b>	Woad Farm	7:00pm	7:30pm	9:00pm				
<b>Tue 3rd Oct</b>	High Street	6:30pm	7:00pm	8:30pm				