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## NEWSLETTER APRIL 2012

It is four months since the last Newsletter! What have your Committee been doing?

### **RAISING AWARENESS OF TWINNING WITH KEYNSHAM'S YOUTH**

Since exchanges between Wellsway & Libourne schools ceased, Wellsway students have taken part in the Bristol Bordeaux Exchange. The younger generation are the future of Twinning and if we can interest them, then maybe their parents will become involved. We know this will be a long haul but have started by talking to schools and youth clubs.

Councillor Lisa O'Brien has been in contact with a junior school in Libourne with the aim of linking up with St John's Primary School. Initially these would be 'virtual' meetings, maybe using Skype (talking via a computer with a webcam).

Carole Duckett & Sue Hopkins recently made a presentation to Wellsway School's Community Governors. Discussions covered the possibility of involving older pupils with Wine Students; the opportunities of using 'Sport' as a meeting point and the best times for any visits (to fit in with the school curriculum).

Contact has been made with the Youth Leaders in Keynsham: Dan Crouch of *@One*, Sara Cruick at Queen's Road Methodist Church and Mark Willcox from **Time Out**. Visits are gradually being made to the youth clubs to talk informally with the youngsters & raise awareness. In May we will be accompanied by Debbie Teml (Filton Youth Leader) & youngsters from Filton. They will be able to talk about the visits they have made to France & Germany with Filton Twinning, travelling by coach with an adult group and staying in hostels or camping.

We are also in contact with Sabine Aggoun, Libourne Councillor with Youth responsibilities, and will meet her in September.

### **QUIZ**

Last month, we held a quiz at the Fear Institute, using an 'outside' quiz master. We seem to be a victim of our own success: the last two quizzes have been so popular (90 & over 70 people turning up) that it has nearly been 'standing room only'. Next time, we shall book a much larger venue!

### **WINE TASTING & BASTILLE 'FRENCH CAFÉ'**

As usual, the highlight of the Wine Students' visit will be the wine tasting, to be held again at Wellsway School.

Planning for our Bastille French Café Evening is in progress. Put the date in your diary.

[For more details see Social Events](#)