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Christmas 2008

THE TEAM

Tamsin Evans (Director), Rebecca Boyd (Project Manager), Louise Finch (Operations Manager), Catherine Laitak (Development Coordinator), Abbie Hosier (Health Promotions Officer), Abi Barnsley (Bookings Coordinator), Chrissie Hitchiner (Performance Facilitator), Joy Farrington (Performance Facilitator), Busy Thomas (Media Developer).

Additional team: Pete Van Neste (Technician), Mike Harris (Male team leader), Greg Schofield (male team/band), Dan Anderson (band), Dan Jones (band), Tim Anderson (band)

Special welcome to our 3 new team members, Louise, Joy and Busy! Also to our new Creative Arts School singing assistant Martha Russell-Jones, and our new trustee Adam Drury.

THINGS WE NEED

An Administrator for Pure	More Performance team members
A male team leader	Business and Funding Manager
A new building	PA for Director

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Buy the CD *No Compromise* by contacting the office. Price is £10 + postage and packing.

KEEP UP-TO-DATE

Email info@purecreativearts.co.uk to receive our monthly prayer letter by email.

Become a 'fan' of **pure** on facebook or join the facebook group 'I Support Pure Creative Arts'.

BOOK US AND RECOMMEND US

The following are available

- teachers' resource pack
- information pack
- demo CD

Just email us to receive any of these.

Pure can provide assemblies, workshops, productions, band performances, PE, PSHE and RE lessons, after-school and lunchtime clubs and would love to build links with more schools, both in Liverpool and nationally. Do please pass on our details and contact us for any further information at all.

coming up

- 15/11 *Upside Down* Youth Event hosted by Pure
- 24/11 *Mirror Mirror* booking at Liverpool College
- 27/11 *Hold Me* booking at Liverpool College
- 1/12 December prayer meeting
- 7/12 Church Booking
- 8/12 *Shine* at Liverpool College
- 03/01 Band booking in Greater Manchester
- tbc/01 Week booking in Wirral School
- 14/02 'Lets Talk About Sex' with Soul Sista and the Romance Accademy



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The Summer term was great – one of many highlights was the time a few of the team and I spent at Soul Survivor – I really enjoyed speaking there, seeing God work, and making new connections through our stall. During the past months Pure has gone through an amazing season of growth and change.

We have welcomed 3 new volunteers to the team and it is fantastic seeing God continue to call such amazing people to this work – it blows my mind when I look at the team God has built. Our Creative Arts School has grown beyond capacity and we have just moved out from Strawberry Field, our base for the past 3 years. New premises are yet to be found, so prayers are appreciated! I'm extremely excited to see all God is going to do as He moves us forward in the coming months, our diary is pretty full and we have a number of school, church and youth bookings. We hope you'll enjoy reading what we've been up to and that you will continue to support and pray for us and the work we do – God is doing so much through Pure. I am in faith for a number of new volunteers for the team before Christmas... are you one of those? We pray God blesses you this autumn term!

Tamsin Evans, Director

THE PAST TERM IN A NUTSHELL

...what has happened...

- 1100 young people reached!
- 11 theatre productions, 27 workshops, 4 impact groups,
- 8 new pupils enrolled in the Creative Arts School,
- 1 Creative Arts Summer School, and 1 performance of High School Musical 2.
- 3 new volunteers – Louise Finch, Joy Farrington and Busy Thomas.
- 5 Schools visited – Belvedere, Christian Fellowship School, St Hilda's, Shorefields, Prenton Girls
- 6 new songs written, *No Compromise* album released.
- 3 new productions being written.
- 1 Salvation Army Summer School.
- 1 booking with the Dream Network
- 1 booking with the Feel Good Factory

ASSEMBLIES

Pure delivers assemblies in both primary and secondary schools and these usually consist of a song performance, a dance performance and a talk. We pray children and young people engage with what they hear and take something away.

'What a great assembly this morning, Kids were made up and staff described it as outstanding'



CREATIVE ARTS SCHOOL

CAS is continuing to grow and expand and is currently working on their new production 'West End Nights and Broadway Lights' which will be ready to be performed in February/March.

PRODUCTIONS AND WORKSHOPS

The performance team are currently working on a number of new productions that look at pregnancy crisis, the power of words and the things we look to in life to satisfy us, like success, fame and love. We look forward to having the new productions up and running in the coming months. We recently had two week-long bookings in Bebbington and Prenton, both on the Wirral. Both weeks were highlights of the year as we were able to work with young people over a period of time rather than a few hours. We saw real breakthroughs, openness, and had amazing feedback:

"It's a chance to open your mind and express how you feel" (Pupil)

"Very powerful: brilliant medium through which to address such a personal issue." (Teacher)

"I've worked with/seen a large number of TIE companies and this was one of the most powerful and successful productions I've seen over the past few years. The simplicity really engaged students in a meaningful way. Thank you." (Teacher)

"Very effective because you can talk about anything" (Pupil)

"A really excellent way to raise difficult and uncomfortable issues with the girls." (Teacher)



IMPACT GROUPS

...weekly lunchtime/after-school groups...

"Over the past weeks I have talked to girls in my group about the importance of forgiveness. We looked at a story about suicide, and I got a bowl of red water to signify the blood of Jesus and asked the girls, if they wanted to, to write on paper the names of people they wanted to forgive, and place it the water to signify this. It was amazing – one girl said she wanted to forgive her mum for committing suicide and leaving her, and another wanted to forgive the lads who had murdered her cousin. The girls were crying as they did this, and I could see they really meant it. It was amazing seeing what God was doing!" *Chrissy*

The vision for Impact groups is to create a place where young people can come and talk about issues they are facing and continue to work through their feelings with people they feel safe and comfortable with. During bookings a number of hard issues are tackled. The aim is to start an Impact group in every school we work in and we need more volunteers to be part of the Impact team. New groups are due to be set up on the Wirral in January, led by members of Wirral Youth for Christ.

UPSIDE DOWN EVENTS

Four times a year pure runs a day of worship, teaching, pampering, fun and laughter for girls from impact groups. The aim of these events is to raise up this generation to be pure and set apart for Jesus, and empower them to live a life with no compromise. These events provide the next step for young people to make a decision to follow Jesus. Last term saw a girl make a commitment – please pray for these events...

PRAYER POINTS

- For a continued increase in school bookings
- For our new building as we prepare to move premises.
- For the church tour bookings, for more people to become Pure partners.
- Development of National work

PRAYER POINTS

- For favour in each of the schools we work in and good relationships with teachers.
- For the upcoming Upside Down youth event.
- For more opportunities to talk openly about God in the schools we work in.
- For more impact groups to be set up.