



Breakfast Club is a hit

HUNDREDS of students are enjoying a free breakfast each day at The Bay CofE School in Sandown. Around 150 pupils each day enjoy toast, fruit, cereals and porridge four mornings a week, and 200 enjoy bacon or sausage baps on a Friday.

It was set up as part of the Flourish project running at The Bay's primary and secondary sites. Flourish is a national Church of England project that aims to link church and school more closely.

Organisers brought together church, civic and community leaders (*pictured above*) who are supporting the Breakfast Club with their time and resources, to say a personal thank-you.



US interns work in Ryde

THERE has been a friendly American invasion within Ryde – as part of a project to rejuvenate its C of E churches. Six Christians from the US state of Georgia are now living in a vicarage in the town, and aim to kickstart a project to increase congregation sizes and engage more effectively with the community.

Ashton and Cody Wood lead the 'Ministry Development Year', interns who arrived in November and will be on the island until August. They are Makensley Wyatt, Hannah Sansot, Alec Mumpower and Joseph Sosebee. They each specialise in an area, from IT support to children and families, to the church's social justice programme.



Easter eggs donated

CHURCH and community groups donated more than 500 Easter eggs to help families in need across Portsmouth.

The Easter eggs were handed to the Roberts Centre in Landport, who ensured that families who are struggling financially were given the chance to provide their children with the chocolate treats.

The eggs were collected at St Mary's Church in Fratton, and then handed over to Emma Gibb and Mel Goddard from the Roberts Centre (*pictured*).



New bishop consecrated

THE Rt Rev Luke Irvine-Capel was consecrated as the new Bishop of Richborough in Canterbury Cathedral in February. Bishop Luke, who is based in our diocese, is providing episcopal oversight for Catholic parishes across the province that don't accept the oversight of their diocesan bishops.

Bishop Jonathan presented him to be consecrated at the service, which was led by the Archbishop of York. The Bishop of Chichester (*pictured above*) performed the act of consecration.