



The *Godly Play* Centre

at the Church of St Chad and St Mark,
Lime St (off Owen Rd),

part of the Wulfruna Learning Centre
in the Parish of Central Wolverhampton

Opening hours 9 am – 4 pm Tuesdays

To visit the *Godly Play* classroom phone:
01902 - 426580

Director: the Revd. Dr. Melanie Clayton
Church Worker: Mrs. Jo Perry
Accredited *Godly Play* practitioners

Godly Play: an interactive method of story-telling, which uses engaging hand-crafted wooden story-figures and activities, develops a range of skills in the classroom at Key Stages 1 & 2.

Godly Play:

- is a creative and imaginative approach to spiritual and emotional development
- based in the Christian tradition, it is used with children of any faith, or none.
- it uses symbols and objects as well as words, and works well with children with learning difficulties.
- it values process, openness and discovery in a clearly structured learning environment.
- it develops thinking skills by encouraging children to make meaning for themselves.
- it develops concentration through a mixture of words, silence and movement.

Godly Play materials:

- following Montessori principles, are made from high-quality hand-crafted natural materials.

- are not just visual aids for a story but are there for the children to play with, explore and interact with.

The *Godly Play* classroom is:

- based at Chad/Mark church, Lime Street
- suitable for teacher-accompanied visits by up to 10 children from a class
- suitable for small group supported work, with children who need one-to-one attention

Godly Play is a non-coercive way to encourage children to move into larger dimensions of spiritual, social and emotional aspects of learning, through wondering questions and an open-ended activity based response time.

Godly Play has been developed in the United States by Dr Jerome Berryman trained by Sofia Cavaletti, the successor of Maria Montessori.

Useful links: www.godlyplay.org
www.godlyplay.org.uk

Godly Play UK is a charity; Registered Charity no.1116846

The *Godly Play* classroom is open for school visits on Tuesdays. Our *Godly Play* practitioners are also available to lead a 2 hour *Godly Play* session for a whole class in school, or to introduce the concept as an INSET session. Cost per session is £25.00.

If you would like to arrange a **school visit to the *Godly Play* classroom**, or if you would like **us to lead a class session in school**, or if you would like an **introductory session for your staff**, please complete your details below and send to: The *Godly Play* Centre, c/o the Revd. Dr Melanie Clayton, The Vicarage, Manlove St., W'ton WV3 0HG, or phone: 01902-426580.

Name of School (please print):

Name of Headteacher:

Contact person & tel. no.:

We would like (please circle): a visit to the *Godly Play* Centre / a 2 hr class session / an introductory session to staff.