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St Paul's Loves Wokingham

Dubbed the Big Foundation Anniversary Weekend, the 19th and 20th July was a very busy one for St Paul's Church, Wokingham.

On Saturday, about 16 children and 30 adults set up a stall in Wokingham Market Place for the day under the banner, "**Love Wokingham**".

Taking the idea that St Paul's has been loving Wokingham for 150 years, shoppers were surprised and delighted to be offered cupcakes, loom bands, sweets, face-painting, tattoos and smiles for free as a way of inviting people to help celebrate the birthday of the Church and show our love for the community in a practical way. Over 500 people were given things during the day, including 100 loom bands and 250 cupcakes.

Imogen Harrison (12) said, "I had a lot of fun because we got to speak to other people and see how our kindness made them happy."

Other acts of love and kindness included, groups litter-picking in Elms Field, Joel Park and along the Reading Road.

Fr Richard Lamey, Parish Rector said, "This has been a really important day because it expresses in a visible, tangible way, the love we have for the community we're part of, and the pride we feel in our town. We've caught up with lots of old friends and made some new ones. It's been amazing how many conversations we've had ... and above all, it's been great fun."

This was one of several events which took place on the third of four big weekends planned throughout 2014 to celebrate 150 years at St Paul's Church.

For further details on plans for 2014 celebrations, please see the website www.stpauls-wokingham.org.uk or call the Parish Office on 0118 979 2122.

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Notes to Editors

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Attached files

- St Paul's logos, guidelines and uses
- Love Wokingham 1_Preparing the stall.jpg



- Love Wokingham 2_Adults and children of St Paul's and St Nicholas' Church



- Love Wokingham 3_Liz Gallagher, Fr Patrick King and Miles Welborn offer goodies and prayer



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