

## Burnley & Pendle Faith Centre Compus



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- **What do you think of our Faith Centre? -** as reported in an earlier edition of Faith Centre News, Manchester University are currently in the middle of a European-wide research study, looking at the provision and function of "faith spaces" in public places, such as our own. Following an earlier visit by the team in 2010, they are now entering the second phase, when the opinions of regular users will be sought. Consequently this Wed (18th) & Thurs (19th) May, Dr Chris Hewson, Research Associate, will be here to meet Campus colleagues and other members of the Faith Centre family. Chris will be arriving at about 1030hrs on Wed and would like to meet as many people as possible. If you're in the area, do come and meet him. To read more about the research project, click on www.manchester.ac.uk/mfs
- **Perspectives on the Prophet Muhammad (p.b.u.h.)** many thanks to the 50 or so people who joined us on Thursday for an excellent evening of education and discussion, as we considered different aspects of the Prophet Muhammad (p.b.u.h.). The evening was led by Dr Philip Lewis of Bradford Churches for Dialogue and Diversity (BCDD) and specialist in Christian-Muslim relations. During his engaging delivery, Phil considered various up to date Islamic texts as well as passages from the Qur'an and the Hadith, which all generated a great deal of group discussion. Really good to welcome a number of first time visitors too. Look out for a web link next week. This will be the first in a series of talks the next being . .
- 4 Medical Advances Ethical Dilemmas What is Faith's Response? this week it was a pleasure to welcome Ian Birnie of A Company of Speakers and Debbie Peatman of Churches Together in Lancashire, as we finalised arrangements for what promises to be an excellent evening led by Dr David Cook, on Thursday 16 June at 1930hrs. David is a world renowned theologian, philosopher and ethicist and Fellow of Green College, Oxford. He is heavily involved in medical ethical issues, such as genetics and research ethics. He is a highly engaging and interactive speaker. Definitely one for the diary. More info to follow including poster.
- **Holly Grove Primary School –** is one of our valued Campus partners, catering for children with generic learning difficulties. Last week we were delighted to learn that their recent Ofsted inspection had gone particularly well, with an increased number of "good with outstanding features" being achieved. We really enjoy working with them and will soon complete our busy RE programme for 2010/11. We send our very best wishes to Sue, Karen and all the team. It is a privilege to support them.
- **Bea Foster –** is the Chair of Building Bridges in Burnley and one of our valued Faith Friends. Bea is currently recuperating at home following an operation. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back in circulation very soon.

"When you follow your bliss . . . doors will open where you would not have thought there would be door; and where there wouldn't be a door for anyone else" Joseph Campbell (1904 - 1987) - American writer / lecturer