EDEN CHRISTIAN TRUST



YOUTH NEWS

2025 - 2026

ECT Youth Club term dates 2026

- 5th January term starts.
- 16st February half term.
- 3rd April End of term.
- 20th April term starts.
- 25th May half of term.
- 22nd July End of term.





Satellites Group 25

Satellites Festival

In August of this year seven young people and three leaders attended the Satellites festival hosted by Youthscape.

For three of those young people, it was their first time attending.

The event is held at the Bath & West Showground in Somerset over a period of four days, and what a fantastic four days it was! There were four thousand young people attending this year.

We enjoyed a great time of worship and teaching in the main meetings as well as some fantastic activities laid on by the hosts.

We already have a number of our young people asking to sign up to return next summer.

ECT is very grateful for the Fundraising efforts of the Edenbridge Manor Care Home, and their donation of £340.71 for the ECT Friday night youth club. This will be put to great use for Edenbridge Young people.

Help!

We would like to invite you to come on board! - There is a current need for a few adults willing to join in the work of our wonderful fundraiser Shelia Stapleton.

You will be working alongside her to fundraise and raise the profile of ECT. Full training will be given and your help would be greatly appreciated. If you would like more information, contact Anthony.

ECT Youth Club

Our regular Friday night Youth Club now runs at Edenbridge Primary School in the High street. The number of young people who attend has now bounced back to 30 - 40 a week now that the club has become established in its new settled venue.

This is very pleasing for all to see following last year's move of location. We still have issues around storage for our regular weekly equipment used for the sessions, as it needs to be transported to and from the school every Friday evening. We are however now able to offer table tennis, table top football, pool table, badminton and other games and activities. As always, we are very grateful to our amazing and dedicated team of volunteers and all those that support us in other ways.

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Prayer Points

- For all the volunteers who make ECT's work possible.
- For continued funds for the work of ECT.
- For the children and youth that Anthony & the volunteers meet with each day.
- For God to provide the volunteers we need in various roles.
- For us to be able to continue our activities and reach out to all.
- For the plans & preparations for all residentials in 2026.

Summer Fun!

In August ECT organised a trip to Chessington World of Adventures theme park. Fourteen Young people attended this day for lots of fun and thrills, a great day was had by all.

Our thanks go to the volunteers who helped look after the group throughout the day.

House Group

ECT house group sessions, bi-weekly on a Sunday evening from the Bridges centre. The group is for young people aged 11–18 who want to learn more about the Christian faith.

We have age-appropriate topical discussions and some great food and games. We have 10 young people from different churches coming together and taking part in this group.

ONE to ONE

The sessions have continued to run well with eight young people regularly attending the two sessions provided.

It's great to be able to listen to what these young people have to say, and to able to come alongside them to encourage and support them in different ways.

We have an amazing team of mentors from all walks of life who give up their time to enable this important project to continue.

We are always in need of volunteers in many areas of work within ECT.

The ONE to ONE mentor group needs helpers for 1 hour on a Tuesday evening during term time.

Could you help with fundraising? Run an activity? Or donate your time and skills in any other way? Please get in touch!

School Clubs

ECT is currently running two oversubscribed after school clubs in both Hever and Crockham Hill schools, with a further two lunch time clubs at Edenbridge primary and Four Elms schools.

This is a great way for our youth leader to build relations with young people and to get them involved in other activities ECT has to offer within the Edenbridge community.

ECT Website

Eden Christian Trust has a great website with lots of information about ECT activities and a number of useful links to helpful resources. Please have a look at www.ectyouth.com



