

50th Anniversamus Sum a IRELANCE South American Missions

Dear Friends,

Our summer holidays are almost at an end and we'll start to go back into school on Monday (Jan 28th) along with the office staff. We'll just go in for part of each day. We officially start back on February 5th with a Heads' meeting and the staff return on the 6th. The children don't come back until February 14th.

We've had a month at home. We had all sorts of plans to go away but none worked out and then we just decided not to bother and so stayed in! The weather has been very hot and humid although we have had very little rainfall. Most days it's too hot to just go out unless you know you'll find air conditioning somewhere. Gwen finds the heat very difficult these days! Mags is more likely to work in the garden in the





We spent our time relaxing and doing things we don't get round to in term time so we have been knitting, sewing, gardening, baking and reading. We also had to get round to the housework and the washing and ironing (when Man Utd are playing)!! We've had a few friends round for meals too. The dogs have been happy to have us around.

The English chapel closed for most of January but starts up again this Sunday (27th). The bishop and Sally are in England so we have been organizing who does what. We start on Sunday with the first service back and we have worked on that too. Whilst we have people ready to preach, not many want to lead so we have that privilege and we have been preparing for those.





We will have a staff service on February 6th when we are all back in school. We hope that Pastor Ronnie will be in charge of that. The pupils will also have a service as they start the year back at school and we are wondering whether we should do that one as we want to start the year giving thanks to God for the school's 50 years as we start our year of celebrations.

