TWINNING UPDATE (October 2022)

Twinning Colouring Book

The Twinning colouring books from Marl have arrived. We need to decide how to distribute them to primary schools in Pendle.

Creil Festival, Sunday 26th June

Rodney and Aileen Rostron represented Pendle Twinning Association at the Creil Festival.

Football team's visit to Marl – 12th-15th August 2022

Judith David accompanied the Colne 21s Football Team to Marl in August. The Colne 21s represented Pendle in an exciting "No limits to fair play" friendly match. Pendle Twinning Association contributed towards the travel costs and Colne 21s also did some fundraising towards travel costs. Marl kindly provided accommodation, meals and a varied programme. The Pendle and Marl football teams trained together, had a session on fair play, culminating in a friendly match ending 10 – 2 to Colne.

Coach 21s coach, Peter Ellis, has thanked Pendle Twinning Association, advising, "The whole experience was a memory to cherish for myself and the lads...Our new friends in Germany will never be forgotten...events like this allow young and old minds to be open...Once again thank you all for the wonderful work and opportunity we were given."

A press release was issued to local and regional media. It also featured on Pendle Council's website and Twitter feed. A copy was sent to Marl for their project funders.

The press release also gave the opportunity to publicise details of the forthcoming Pendle Twinning Association meeting to any prospective new members.

Loire Castles – September 2022

Nicolle reluctantly cancelled the trip to the Loire Castles due to insufficient interest to make it financially viable.

First peace pole in Marl

On 21st September, the International Day of Peace of the United Nations, Marl's Mayor Werner Arndt inaugurated Marl's first peace pole. Inspired by their twinning, the peace pole displays the important message "May Peace prevail on Earth" in the languages of Marl's twin towns, including English. Marl plans to install two more peace poles in the coming years.