

## Bowness & Windermere

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THE Windermere-Diessen Twinning Association has seen a number of school pupils on exchange visits and for work experience in both directions and has had very positive feedback. It hopes that in future there will be even more opportunities for cultural, linguistic and work experience exchanges.

In July, 58 students took part in what is now an annual visit to the Carl Orff Schule, which sent a group of students here earlier in the year. Several members also enjoyed arranged visits to Diessen so there have been a few English faces again in Bavaria continuing the connections forged over the last 12 years.

THE first public meeting organised by the Windermere and Bowness Chamber of Trade BID Steering Group will be held on September 27 at the Burnside Hotel at 8am, and also in the evening at 6.30pm. This meeting is to inform local businesses as to what a BID is all about and how it can benefit the community. Westmorland and Lonsdale MP Tim Farron will make the opening address at the 8am meeting, and the evening meeting will have as its guest speaker, David Wathen, chairman of Skipton BID. Call 015394-48527 or 07711-241631 to book a place.

WINDERMERE and Bowness Chamber of Trade met to discuss local issues and heard an update from Sgt Ken Jewell on crime figures. There was also an update from the BID Steering Group on the progress being made and the arrangements for the six local public meetings.

A REPRESENTATIVE from the Chamber of Trade along with representatives from the county highways, police and local businesses met Tim Farron MP to discuss the possibility of providing a 'drop off' point for coach passengers at the top of Bowness. There were a number of positives from the meeting and plans are to be drawn up of the site.