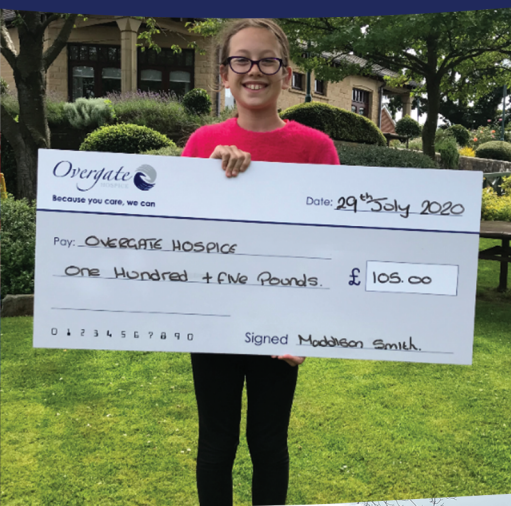


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Overgate Hospice's School Newsletter

We know how much your local community cherishes your school, just as Calderdale cherishes it's only adult Hospice and we could not continue to provide the loving care and support our patients and their families need, without the dedication and support of your amazing staff and children.

In this newsletter we will let you know what's been happening, the amazing fundraising that our local children have taken on and how you've all helped our Hospice.



As Covid hit and we were all told to stay at home, our routines thrown into disarray, and life as we knew it changed, our amazing community of young fundraisers came to our rescue! Here's just a snippet of the wonderful things that the youngest generation of our community have created.

Overgate HOSPICE HEROES



Isla



Chloe & Family



Madison



Frankie



Ben



George & Evie

Scarlett Kinsey made happy clouds and sold them to her neighbours, family, friends. Scarlett appeared on Look North recently but also had her rainbow painting up in Downing Street! She has raised over £1,300 and spread a lot of joy and happiness, thank you for being a Hospice Hero Scarlett.

Madison Smith raised over £100 by growing and selling tomato plants and sunflowers. Thank you Madison - really impressive!

We'd like to thank Chloe Wilkinson and her family who took on a sponsored walk from Mytholmroyd to Elland, raising £235. Wow, what a fantastic achievement!

Isla set up a lemonade stand outside her home and raised a wonderful £70 to support the Hospice. Thank you so much Isla, what a great idea!

Frankie Brooksbank challenged himself to cycle 26 miles in 30 days, and raised over £1,000 for the Hospice! Keeping active and raising money for charity - Frankie, you're amazing!

Jacob and Joseph Henderson have turned green fingered for Overgate and have been growing and selling plants to their friends and neighbours, raising over £200. Thank you so much boys!

Our thanks go to Ben Collins who took on the ultimate challenge of a 24 hour sponsored silence, raising over £300!

Travis decided to let Noah shave his hair off to raise money for Overgate. Travis said he wanted to help as they care for people like they did their grandad. Noah said Overgate was more like a home than a hospital for grandad and it has lovely gardens. Thank you boys!

George and Evie Henderson took on the 2.6 challenge and raised a fantastic £328.26. Amazing!

Alex Ainley held a stall on her drive way throughout the year and raised an amazing £1,835.23.

Although some children are loving not being at school and are enjoying the extra time on their game stations or watching TV, Zane aged 11 isn't one of them, Zane decided to run a WHOLE marathon distance himself and to raise money in the process for Overgate Hospice. Zane's mum and dad, Zoe & Steven helped him set up a Just Giving page with a target of £200, however Zane has smashed this target and is currently on £452. Could you sponsor him a couple of pound to keep his little legs going? <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/zaneridley>

Thank you so much to students at Trinity Academy for dropping off care packages for our patients and their families to use. They also attached this beautiful poem. So lovely to know they are thinking of us.

This package is sent to show you that we care,
At a time when normal comforts might not be there.

We hope that the contents give you a reason to smile,
To let your mind wander awhile.

Although times are uncertain, the skies are still blue,
And at Trinity Academy, we're thinking of you.

With love and best wishes from the staff and students at Trinity Academy, Halifax.



Scarlett



Jacob



Travis & Noah



Alex



Zane



Trinity Academy



The Overgate Reindeer Run

Reindeer Run:

Christmas might already seem like a distant memory but we were blown away by the festive cheer our local schools brought to our Hospice! We had nearly 8,000 Reindeer Recruits that took on our Reindeer Run – that's the most ever! Thank you to all the wonderful schools, staff and children who put on their antlers and noses and raised lots for Overgate. **So far we have raised £66,010.18 with money still coming in.** Special thanks to our sponsor StudyWrite 11+ tuition.



Christmas Jumper Day:

Christmas Jumper Day was a great success with lots of you pulling on your best festive attire to raise funds for us and we want to say a massive **THANK YOU!** We have raised **£3,133.82.**



Pledge your support to Overgate:

As we enter 2021 could your school pledge to support Overgate as your Charity Of The Year? Your pledge will help us plan for a brighter 2021, knowing our local community will be by our side. There's lots of ways you can support us, by putting on your own fundraising in school or picking one of our campaigns to get involved in. **Don't forget we are here to help just email Mikki.scholey@overgatehospice.nhs.uk and we can help.**

Get Arty:

Our doctors and nurses are here day and night caring for our patients if you would like to send a card or draw a picture for them please do we'd love to see some of your artwork. **Let your imagination go wild!**



Harold

Say Hi to Harold:

Need something to pick up your Zoom assembly – just ask Harold. Our Hospice Hare is always happy to come onto a Zoom assembly and say Hi and thank you to you for your support or even take part in your Zoom PE lesson!

Thank you to all our wonderful fundraisers. Get in touch with us at fundraising@overgatehospice.nhs.uk if you would like to take on some fundraising of your own – we can support you every step of the way.