



KIDS CANCER CHARITY

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THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN 2012

Changing for the better

....the rebranding of the charity's name is now almost complete with the response being nothing but a positive one. Thankfully Kids Cancer Charity is blessed with an enthusiastic team that has spread the word that although there has been a name change, the charity's original core aims remain at the heart of our work.

- To improve the quality of life for children/teenagers affected by cancer
- To provide emotional and practical support that complement and adds value to the services provided by the statutory services
- To recognise that childhood cancer affects the entire family

Multi Media World

In today's new multi media world it has never been easier to support and keep in touch with the activities of Kids Cancer Charity.

- * Check out our updated web-site at www.kidscancercharity.org
- * 'Like' us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/kidscancercharity>
- * Text us and donate 'CLTC25 £10 . Amounts can be £1, £2, £3, £4, £5 or £10.
- * Follow one of our Play Therapist on twitter
http://twitter.com/aneira_collins
- * Support us on Virgin Money Giving or Just Giving.
- * Set up a Standing Order or Direct Debit
- * Or just give us a call and speak to us personally!

If you are one of our regular supporters and a Tax Payer, please ensure that you have completed a Gift Aid Declaration. For those that have already completed a Declaration, please advise us of any change in your circumstances.

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS



Kids Cancer Charity

Established in 1989 as Christian Lewis Trust

Services provided to support children and teenagers affected by cancer, and their families

- U.K. Breaks
- Play Therapy
- Counselling
- American Experience Programme
- Disneyland Paris Experience
- Befriending
- Bereavement Support

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More about the Kids Cancer Charity

In 2011-2012 alone, the Charity arranged:

- Therapy sessions for 415 children & youngsters.
- Befriending activities for 37 people in need
- Dream holidays for 182 children and adults to Disneyworld, Florida along with another additional 63 free passes to the theme parks.
- Trips and holidays for 148 children and adults to the Disneyland Paris experience + an additional priority access to all rides for 8 individuals
- UK holidays for 717 children and adults plus 87 families receiving advice and guidance on specialist travel insurance

All these activities were funded entirely by voluntary help and donations

Featuring Team Member Judith May

With her many years of experience, Judith has been at the forefront in the development of the charity's therapeutic and counselling support service. Judith's name is synonymous with the charity's confidential 'Listening Ear' - a befriending service, either face to face, or by telephone/e-mail for anyone whose life has been affected by a child with cancer. With compassion, understanding and care, the problems and difficulties associated with a child/teenager affected by cancer can be shared. The charity also offers support groups for siblings of ill children, a Mum's group that meets regularly and a teenagers group aimed at young people who have suffered a bereavement. These groups are currently only available for those living in the South Wales area; however, if and when sufficient funds are available it is planned to roll out this service to other areas. As Head of Family Services, Judith is responsible for the management of the charity's therapeutic and counselling service that includes personal support for each of the charity's Play Therapists and Counsellors in their day to day dealings with children at a crisis in their lives.

Like other members of the Team, Judith wears more than one 'hat'. If being a member of the Management Team responsible for the day-to-day operation of the charity was not enough, Judith also takes responsibility for its UK Breaks service ably helped by her assistant, Helen Harding. Currently, the charity has four luxury caravans situated in Wales and also manages another on behalf of a separate charity. In addition, there are opportunities for families to take advantage of holidays at hotels in the south of England, as well as breaks in cottages that have been kindly donated for the use of families by generous supporters. Each caravan is inspected at least twice a year when any maintenance repair, replacing issues are dealt with, together with restocking with those extra items that makes a stay at one of the charity's caravans that much more special. 2013 will see the launch a fundraising project aimed at replacing the ageing caravan sited at Lydstep Beach near Tenby.

PLEASE KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK BY CONTINUING TO SUPPORT US IN 2013

Just pick up the phone and give us a call if you are interested in any fundraising ideas. Visit us at our website: www.kidscancercharity.org

To be kept up-to-date with our latest news in the most cost effective way please ensure that we have your e-mail address. Send to: enquiries@kidscancercharity.org

