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## It's Christmas!

There's no escaping it now - whether you love it or you hate it, the Christmas season is well and truly upon us 🗑

Christmas is always a busy time in the CWCF office and it is a hive of activity with fundraising, donations and planning for our Christmas party! Here's just a small snapshot of what we've been up to...

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#### Giving Tuesday - A Global Day of Giving

This year, Giving Tuesday takes place on December 2nd. It is a global day to encourage people to do good and to inspire people to give, collaborate and celebrate generosity.

If you would like to use this day to help us here at Children with Cancer Fund, there are so many ways to get involved:

FUNDRAISE: Host a fundraising event. It could be a coffee morning with friends and family, or maybe you want to set yourself a challenge and do a sponsored run! No matter the event, pop into the office, contact fundraising@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk or call 01323 488561 for more information about organising a fundraising event for us.

VOLUNTEER: If you have a spare few hours during the week or the weekends why not donate some of your time to helping a charity and volunteer at events. We're always keen to have people help out at our events! Get in touch today and become a CWCF volunteer.

**DONATE**: Donations make a huge difference to the work we do here at CWCF. We simply wouldn't be able to function without them. Your donation can help provide a family holiday at one of our caravans, grant wishes for families and help our families with any unexpected expenses.

Together, we can make a real difference!

### Hailsham Hero Awards



We were ecstatic to be chosen as the winners of Charity of the Year at the Hailsham Hero Awards! This award really is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our incredible team of staff, volunteers and supporters.

Thank you to everybody who took the time to vote for us. It really means a lot to us that we have such huge support for our work and that the local community is fully behind us.

Our families are at the heart of what we do here at CWCF. Here's to moving on with even greater passion and making life brighter for children and families facing cancer.



## Dream Makers \*\*

We are so excited to announce that we have recently welcomed another Dream Maker to join our CWCF family! If you don't already know, our Dream Makers are the most incredible companies and individuals who commit to donating £25 to us every month •

Our newest Dream Makers are Aspen Renewables and HVAC. Thank you so much to them for their commitment to make a positive impact in the lives of children and families facing cancer. They really are making our children's dreams come true!



Regular donations like these are the lifeblood of our charity. If you would like to become one of our amazing donors who make the work we do possible, we'd love to hear from you today •

Every penny we receive makes a difference.

**Donate Here** 



We love seeing our families out and about, making the most of the wishes we have granted them!

So we were absolutely thrilled to see these photos from one of our families, when they used their gift of a magical day out at Paultons Park along with a hotel stay.



It is moments like these, spent away from the stress of hospital, and being just a "normal family" that make the world of difference for a family facing cancer.

## Family Events

#### Skateworld 🎭

Last month, we hired out the My Skateworld venue and took along a group of our families to enjoy an evening of fun and escape from the hospital routine.

All evening, the rink was filled with laughter, music and the sound of wheels gliding across the floor.



Since we had the whole venue to ourselves, the children felt safe to whizz round the rink to their heart's content. The younger members of our group, who perhaps weren't so confident on skates, didn't miss out on the fun either - they just grabbed their scooters and got stuck into the action with the others.



We may have had a few falls on the day, but the Skateworld staff were amazing at making sure everyone was ok and we all finished the evening with smiles on our faces.

Cancer can feel isolating, especially for children who can no longer mix with their friends like they used to. Events like this remind them that they are not alone, and that life can still be fun.

Thank you to the Skateworld team for being so accommodating and giving our families such a brilliant evening.

## **Fundraising**

Jive Frenzy 🍇

Thank you so much to the wonderful Jive Frenzy who recently held a dance event in aid of Children with Cancer Fund and raised a truly incredible £350!



They had this to say about the day: "We ran a charity Modern Jive dance event with half of every ticket price going straight to your charity. We invited dancers to come to our hall which we decorated with balloons and special lighting.

The event was a marvellous success with happy dancers travelling from far and wide for an awesome set of music from DJ Kane (it was also his birthday).

We know life is precious so dance brings so much love and joy to all age groups of all abilities"



We are always keen to hear from anyone who would like to hold a fundraising event for us! If you would like to take on a hair-raising challenge or simply hold a cake sale for us, contact fundraising@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk or call 01323 488561 to hear how we can help to make it happen.

#### Hailsham Bonfire 🔥





What a night at Hailsham Bonfire! It was a joy for us to be invited along to revel in the atmosphere of fun and celebration.



After the event, they presented us with an incredible £650! This wonderful amount will really do a lot of good to children and families facing cancer in the local area.

## Advent Calendars 🎄



Is there anything that fills you with more excitement as a child than opening up the doors on an advent calendar, knowing that each day brings you closer to the visit from Father Christmas?

We are thrilled to have given that to our poorly children and their siblings - all thanks to the wonderful team at Halifax. They turned up to our office to deliver their collection of 115 advent calendars, along with a donation of £52.95.

The smiles they have brought to so many has been lovely to see 💚



#### CWCF Raffle

There's still time to enter our raffle

Tickets cost only £5 and there are lots of brilliant prizes up for grabs, including a £100 restaurant voucher and many hampers of booze. Perfect for stocking up for Christmas!

The winners will be drawn at the Festive Fundraiser being held for us by Howden Insurance Eastbourne on Saturday 6th December.



**Buy Tickets** 

## 12 Days of Giving 💢



Every weekday from the 1st to the 16th December, Benefact Group will be drawing 10 charities to receive £1000 each. We'd love to be one of them ♥

If you haven't already nominated us for the £1000 draws this year, please take a moment to put our name forward. The more nominations we have, the more chances we have to win

**Nominate Us** 

# Ways To Support Us!

## Eastbourne Lottery



Support local good causes.

Win up to £25,000

ou can make a difference with the purchase of just one ticket!

gn up to support Children with Cancer Fund when you buy tickets for the astbourne Local Lottery and 50% of the £1 ticket price comes directly to us.

**Buy Tickets** 

**Easy Fundraising** 



By using EasyFundraising when you shop online you can raise free donations for Children with Cancer Fund!

It's completely free to sign up and your shopping won't cost you any extra - the retailers you shop with make the donation, not you

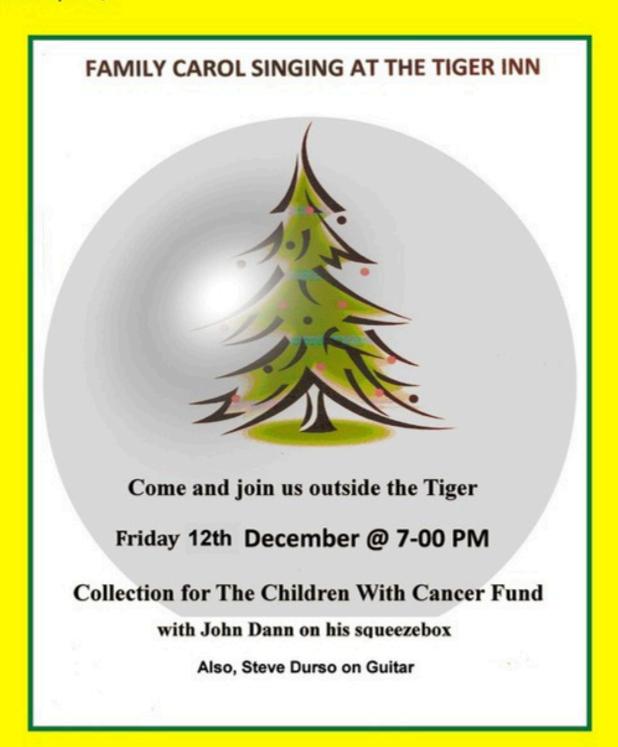
If you haven't already signed up please consider doing so today. Every single penny donated adds up to make a big difference for a small charity such as ours.

Sign Up Here

What's Coming Up ••

## Carols at The Tiger Inn N

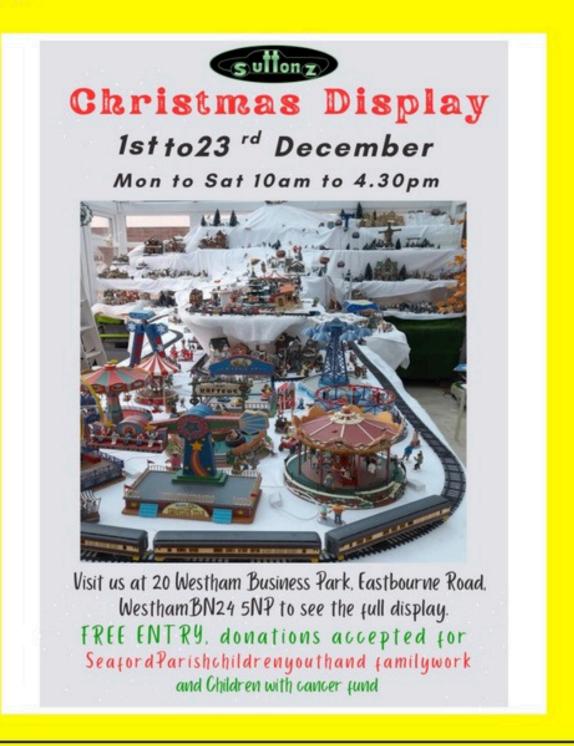
A festive evening of fun for the whole family! Go along and get fully into the Christmas spirit &



Suttonz Christmas Display 🎄

Suttonz Garage in Westham have created a Christmas display in one of their units to raise money for 2 charities, and we are thrilled they have chosen Children with Cancer Fund as one of the benefactors!

Do pop in if you would like to enjoy a little bit of Christmas sparkle to brighten up your day ...



Run to Run 2026 3

The Children with Cancer Fund Run to Run is coming back on Saturday 30th May 2026! And we can't wait 3.3.

Why not get in there early and book your tickets today?!

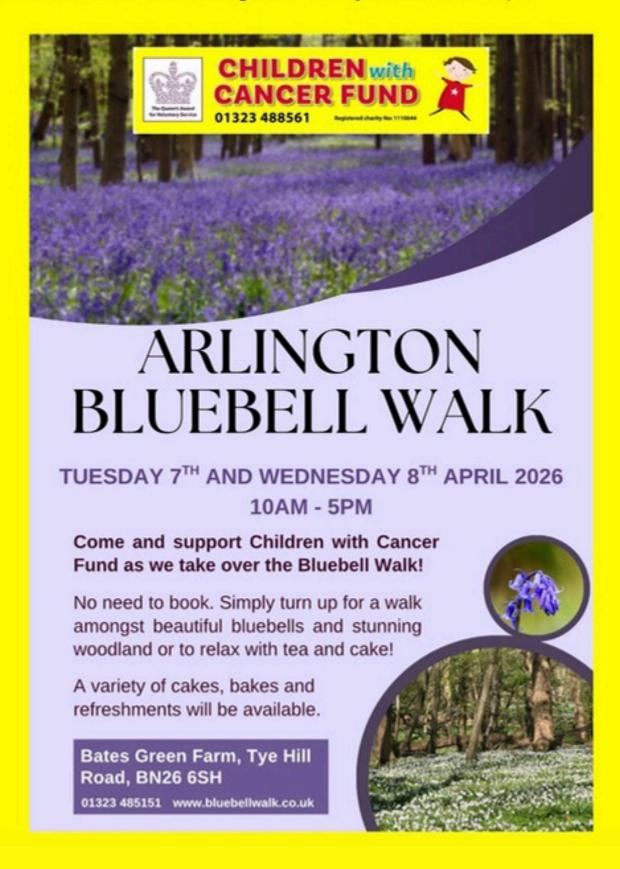


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### Arlington Bluebell Walk @

Children with Cancer Fund will be taking over the Arlington Bluebell Walk on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th April 2026. Save the date and join us there!

We will be looking for lots of volunteers to help out on those days and also to supply cakes and bakes for the cafe. Do get in touch if you are able to help



#### Could You Be One Of CWCF's Dream Makers?

Childhood cancer remains one of the most devastating diseases affecting children worldwide. The emotional and financial toll it takes on families is unimaginable. To become a Dream Maker, we are asking you to commit to a monthly donation of just £25 to Children with Cancer Fund. By donating this amount, you will become an integral part of our mission to support families battling childhood cancer, from diagnosis, throughout treatment, and beyond.

Make their dreams reality



**Visit Our Website For More Information** 

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

We need your donations! We are collecting jewellery and beads which we can upcycle and turn into gifts for our lucky dips at our upcoming fundraising events.

We are also in need of teddies, soft toys and unopened bottles for our tombolas.

Drop your donations into our office Monday - Friday 9:30 - 4:30 🥭 🍾 🧸

!! PLEASE NOTE: We can't accept used earrings for hygiene reasons !!







**Donate to CWCF today** 

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