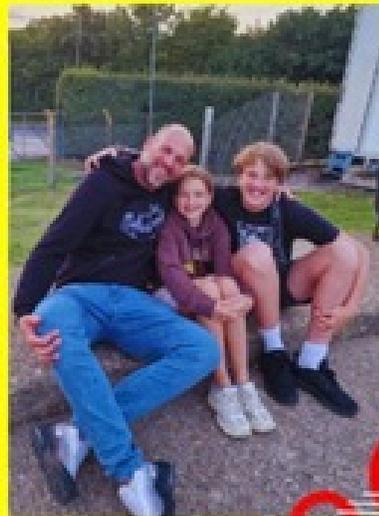




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## Welcoming Spring with Hope

Spring is just starting to spring! We have so much planned for our families to come this year and here is just a small snapshot of what has been happening in the last month. Thank you to all the amazing people who made it possible!

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## Family Events

### Rage X-Treme

What better way for our families and children to let out their stresses and frustrations than with a visit to Rage X-Treme in Polegate.

We always have the best feedback from our families about their visits to Rage X-

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Treme, the freedom it brings is wonderfully cathartic and always brings children and adults alike a real thrill!

As the families arrived we all gathered at the reception area, there was a video and talk on safety when in the room before everyone was given overalls, hard hat with ear defenders and a visor.

The fun started, there was a lot of banging and crashing from all rooms for over half an hour. Our families smashed, laughed, released stress, and found a safe space to let off steam during what can often be an overwhelming journey.

All the families came out of the rooms exhausted but happy and without exception, saying they wanted to do it all again!





Thank you so much to the amazing team at Rage X-Treme for accommodating our families so wonderfully and making sure everyone felt comfortable and safe throughout the experience, and to our sponsors for this event, Children in Need.



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## **Pier Pressure Escape Rooms**

We had the most incredible time at the Pier Pressure Escape Rooms in Brighton. Families teamed up, cracked clues, solved puzzles, and filled the rooms with laughter and excitement. Some teams managed to escape in time, others weren't so lucky, but they all had a brilliant time and enjoyed the experience from start to finish.

After the thrill of the escape rooms, we all made our way to Donatello in Brighton for a delicious lunch and the chance to relax, share stories, connect with others, and simply enjoy being together. The room was full of smiles, laughter, and the kind of warmth that reminds us why the CWCF community matters so much. It was amazing to see so many of our families coming together to enjoy a memorable day.



A special thank you goes to the teams at Pier Pressure and Donatello for hosting us and helping make the day unforgettable.



## Wishes ❤️

We love granting wishes here at Children with Cancer Fund, and we love seeing the smiles and joy brought to our children's faces even more.

So we were delighted to receive this feedback from one of our families who used their wish to attend a show in London with an overnight stay in a nearby hotel:

"It was an absolute joy and just what we needed. The hotel that you booked for us was excellent and we were so well looked after. They upgraded our room for free to a two bedroom apartment which accommodated her wheelchair with ease. When we were shown to the room we were overjoyed, not only did it provide us a huge space to spend our time in but we also had a view over the city and could even see Big Ben from our windows. I have literally not seen R so happy since before she became poorly.

All in all this was the perfect little adventure in London for us and bought so much joy and smiles. Thank you so much for this pocket of joy in our lives."





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# Thank You!

## Easter Eggs

With Easter coming up next month, donations of Easter Eggs have already started making their way into the office!

Huge thanks to the wonderful Silver Band who have once again donated Easter Eggs (67 of them this year!) to our children and families. The continued support we have received from Eastbourne Silver Band has been nothing short of incredible and we are extremely grateful to all their members.





As always, we would like to make sure we have enough eggs for all our children, siblings and parents to have one each, so if you or anyone you know would like to make a chocolately donation, they would be massively appreciated.

Please contact the office on 01323 488561 or [info@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk](mailto:info@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk), or pop them into us Monday - Friday 09:30 - 16:30.

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## Random Act of Kindness

This month, deep in the midst of the most dreary time of the year, we decided to try to put smiles on the faces of some of the families we support by sending them some surprise treats. We sent brownies boxes to some and flowers to others, in the hope of lifting spirits amid some dark times.

The response we received was truly heartwarming. To hear that some families had been going through difficult times and had experienced a brief moment of happiness and joy was truly wonderful.

“ You are always so thoughtful and the lovely gestures that you do always let us know that you are there to support us.”



As a small charity, we simply aren't able to offer our children and families the big experiences to Disney World and the like, but small gestures can make their own big impact.

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## **Fundraising**

**Cather at The Beacon**

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Kindly hosted by the Beacon Team on the 14th and 15th February, we set up a pop-up sale in Gather on the 14th and 15th February, the community hub in the beacon, where we had a large assortment of crafts, toys, soft teddies and other bric-a-brac on offer.

It was a great weekend with a steady influx of passers-by - we even had to replenish our stock for Sunday as so much had been sold.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers at this fundraiser, who worked tirelessly throughout both days to sell as much as possible, and add the personal touch to every conversation and interaction with members of the public.



We raised the amazing amount of £583.94!

What a testament to our supporters, who came out in rain (of which there was plenty!) and shine to raise both money and awareness for Children with Cancer Fund.

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## Fundraising Dinner at La Locanda Del Duca

After the overwhelming success of our inaugural event last year, we are extremely excited that our fundraising dinner at La Locanda Del Duca will be returning on Thursday 16th April.

Attendees will enjoy three delicious courses of authentic Italian cuisine, plus a drink on arrival, and the brilliant James Hanaway will be joining us once again to auction off some exciting lots to raise funds for Children with Cancer Fund.

Thank you to the wonderful team at La Locanda Del Duca for once again agreeing to host this event, they were absolutely amazing last year and we have no doubt it will be the same again this time.

Huge thanks also go to our incredible sponsors of this event:

✓ Mango Insurance

✓ Uptons Sales and Lettings

✓ Ginger & Sanders Residential Block & Estate Management



To make this special evening the very best event it can be, we are looking for donations of auction and raffle prizes. The more we have the better!

If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in donating a prize we'd love to hear from you. Contact us on 01323 488561 or [community@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk](mailto:community@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk).

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**What's Coming Up** 🙄

# Hailsham Lego and Fire Walk



# **FIRE** and **LEGO WALK**

**Saturday, 28th March 2026**  
***Hailsham Cattle Market***



**In association with**  
**UK Firewalk and Hailsham Lions**



**Raise money for your charity or group**  
**of your choice or just for fun!**

We are thrilled to have 3 very brave people facing the challenge of a Fire Walk for CWCF on Saturday 28th March 🔥

One of those is our very own Charity Director, Chris! He is hoping to raise enough in sponsorship that we can cover the cost of our family event at Herstmonceux Science Centre, so if you'd like to support him please donate via his JustGiving page via the button below ❤️

We are wishing the best of luck to all 3 participants and can't wait to see how they all get on!

[\*\*Donate Here\*\*](#)



# Hailsham Colour Show

We are thrilled to be the chosen charity for the Hailsham Colour Show this year.

There is still time to get your tickets to come along for the show.

## Hailsham Photographic Society's

Annual  
Audio Visual  
Extravaganza

Colour

Show

'26

Hailsham  
Community Civic Hall  
Vicarage Lane  
Hailsham BN27 2AX

Friday 6th March  
at 7.30pm  
Saturday 7th March  
at 2.30pm  
and 7.30pm

**Tickets**  
**£8.00**

**available from:**

**Stevens & Carter**

Estate Agents,  
47 High St, Hailsham,  
Club members and via  
"contact us"  
on our web site

[www.hailshamphotographicsociety.co.uk](http://www.hailshamphotographicsociety.co.uk)

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**Get Tickets**



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**RUN TO RUN**  
SATURDAY 30TH MAY 2026

**SIGN UP HERE TODAY** 

CUCKOO TRAIL, SCHOOL LANE ENTRANCE, POLEGATE  
MINI MILE, 5K AND 10K

**ENTRY STARTS AT £5**  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME  
- WALKERS, JOGGERS, FAMILIES, PUSHCHAIRS

**MEDALS FOR ALL COMPLETERS!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 01323 488561 OR DROP US AN EMAIL TO fundraising@childrenwithcancerfund.org.uk



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**ARLINGTON BLUEBELL WALK**

TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AND WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026  
10AM - 5PM

Come and support Children with Cancer Fund as we take over the Bluebell Walk!

No need to book. Simply turn up for a walk amongst beautiful bluebells and stunning woodland or to relax with tea and cake!

A variety of cakes, bakes and refreshments will be available.

Bates Green Farm, Tye Hill Road, BN26 6SH  
01323 488561 www.bluebellwalk.co.uk

## Run to Run 2026

If you are looking for a little motivation to get moving and start running, then look no further 🏃🏻♂️

The Children with Cancer Fund Run to Run is coming back in 2026, and we want to make it the biggest and best yet!

This year we will be congregating on the Polegate School playing field, where there will be water and refreshments available. From there, the runs will take place as usual along the Cuckoo Trail.

Everyone is welcome to take part,

## Arlington Bluebell Walk

We are looking forward to hosting the Arlington Bluebell Walk on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th April 2026. Save the dates and join us there!

There is no need to book - simply turn up and enjoy a stroll in the beautiful woodland or visit our cafe for some delicious refreshments.

Thank you to all our volunteers who have signed up to take part on the day or pledged bakes or cakes. It is shaping up

whether you are a keen runner or fancy a walk while raising money for a fantastic cause ❤️

to be a fantastic event and we couldn't do it without your help.

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## 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.

We would love to sign up **26 Dream Makers in 2026** to enable us to do even more to support families on their immensely difficult journey with cancer and allow them to focus on joy instead of illness.

To become a Dream Maker, we are asking you to commit to a monthly donation of just **£26** 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](#)

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# 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 !!**

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