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The RWT Charity Newsletter

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter.

The mission of our charity is to make a real difference to our patients, their families and the staff who treat them.

Your vital support helps us to provide additional resources that the NHS cannot provide. We would not be able to achieve the things we do without the help of our tireless supporters whom we are very thankful for.

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THE TEA

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We are urging people across the local communities we serve to join the nation's biggest tea break on Monday 5th July. Help us to raise funds in aid of our incredible staff who have done so much to help our patients and their families.

Join the national outpouring of love by hosting or taking part in an NHS Big Tea on the birthday of the NHS at 3pm on Monday 5th July.

Funds can be raised in aid of The RWT Charity either in person or virtually, with your community, friends, family or at work. This is your chance to reflect and say thank you for everything that our staff and volunteers have done and continue to do.

You can also show your support by taking five minutes to enjoy a tea break and texting "BIGTEA 5 to 70450 to donate £5.

Texts cost £5 plus one standard rate message. Please remember to tag five friends on social media and ask them to show their support.

Don't forget to tag us in your pictures on the day as we would love to share these on our social media pages (@TheRWTCharity on Twitter OR Facebook, or @therwtcharity on Instagram) – make sure to use the hashtags #RWTBigTea and #NHSBigTea.

Please get in touch to register for a fundraising pack by emailing rwh-tr.fundraisingteam@nhs.net

Your pack will contain everything you should need for your event – such as bunting for decorations, a poster to help advertise your event and some quick and easy cake recipes to help ensure you are well stocked with sweet treats!

Rachel Robinson, Community and Events Fundraiser, said: "We are very grateful to everyone who chooses to host a Big Tea party in support of The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Charity – an organisation which raises money for things over and above what the NHS can provide. Your support can help us to make a real difference to the lives of our patients, their families and our staff."

Happy Birthday Captain Sir Tom Moore

To celebrate the birthday weekend of Captain Sir Tom Moore, the Captain Tom 100 offered everyone the chance to take on their own challenge, and to raise funds for the charity of their choice. Thank you to everyone who chose to support our charity by taking on challenges related to the number 100.

We also gathered some of our patients and staff who wanted to thank Captain Sir

Tom, and the other supporters of NHS Charities Together after grants totalling £203,000 were awarded to The RWT Charity.

Scan this code to watch the video.



Lady Tiffany's Tributes

The family of the longest patient to stay on the children's ward at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust have begun fundraising in her memory.

Lady Tiffany's Tributes has been set up to build Tiffany's legacy after she sadly passed away on 20th September 2020 aged three. Tiffany's conditions meant that she was unable to go home; Doctors advised that her brain stem had been affected after suffering from extensive bleeding to her brain and lungs prior to birth. With her Mom, Stacey Benjamin-Mcfarlane, by her side every day, the family and medical team did everything to bring as much happiness to Tiffany as possible. During Tiffany's life, she spent less than three months at home.

During Tiffany's time on the ward, her family described it "like a never ending bucket list" as one of the things they ticked off was to buy land in her name so that Tiffany gained the title Lady. Her room was frequently decorated, her consultant wore fancy dress for her birthday, and everyone knew her favourite colour was pink.

Stacey said: "Tiffany and I had an inseparable bond and we know what it's like to be stuck on a ward. I hope to use the experience we had to make other families' stays a little easier and brighter by providing items such as toiletries and equipment."



Left to right: Alicia Bramley, Linda Swan, Ricardo, Benjamin-Mcfarlane, Liz Luton, Julie Plant

As part of their on-going support, Stacey's son Ricardo, seven, and mother Linda Swan visited New Cross Hospital to donate comfort packs for parents and patients. They also donated special cups to be used as "hugs in a mug" for when parents or patients need a little pick me up.

The Community Champions at a local Morrisons and Asda have been able to support the family by donating toiletries for the comfort packs. Nicky Hampton, who has been following Tiffany's story, also held raffles to raise money towards the total fundraising.

"Whether for parents and carers who find themselves in hospital due to an emergency need, or for those young people who need a slightly longer period of hospital care and need additional supplies, these beautiful comfort packs will be incredibly

gratefully received by all", said Julie Plant, Senior Matron for Children and Young People's Services. "Stacey has first-hand experience of the important things which make a difference to families, children and young people, and I am sure that this generous donation will benefit hundreds of people in the future."

Stacey will be continuing to support the children's ward through Lady Tiffany's Tributes by supporting projects to enhance patient's experience on the ward. This includes funding for patient entertainment, upgrading of the parent flat and also continuing to provide comfort packs on a continuing basis.

To read more about Tiffany's story, and to find out more about their ongoing fundraising, visit: www.facebook.com/LadyTiffanysTributes

Ramadan Radio's Appeal for Children's Ward

We were recently selected as the charity of choice to be supported by Ramadan Radio during the Islamic holy month.

Ramadan Radio Wolverhampton is a not-for-profit faith-based radio station connecting the community and empowering unity. This year their station manager,

Alvina Ali, got in touch with us to set up an appeal to raise money for the Children's Ward.

Fundraising Coordinator, Leanne Bood, along with staff from the ward, including Senior Matron Julie Plant, attended the station during the appeal held on

Friday, 23rd April. We were overwhelmed by the level of support pledged by the local community, and a total of £4,748.00 was raised from the appeal.

We are very grateful to them for getting in touch to learn more about the hospital and offer this fantastic support.

Charity FAQs



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What is Gift Aid?

Gift Aid is a simple government initiative which allows us to increase the value of your donations at no extra cost to you. For every pound you give to us we can get an extra 25 pence from the HMRC, helping your donation go further to help patients and their families. During the next year if each donor said yes to Gift Aid we could raise an incredible extra £125,000 to help patients and their families – so you can see why your help is so important to us.

If you have made a donation in the last four years and you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please contact Zoe Lees on 01902 481590.

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Can I choose where my donation goes?

The charity manages over 70 Charitable Trusts Funds that enhance patient care and experiences. There are various funds included within Cannock Chase Hospital, New Cross Hospital and West Park Hospital.

You can be confident that your donation will only be allocated to the Fund you request.

If you do not know which Fund to support, you can choose to donate to the charity's General Purpose Fund, where the Charitable Funds Committee in partnership with the Trust decides where your donation is best spent.

Can I hold my own event?

You can host your own event, this could be as traditional or innovative as you like - cake sales, coffee mornings, sponsored bike rides, half marathons, head-shaves, make up selfies, leaping out of planes, masquerade ball – the possibilities are endless!

Please take into account the latest Government guidelines when planning your event. For further guidance, please go to: www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance

Please complete a registration form and return this to Rachel Robinson, Community and Events Fundraiser. For a copy of the form, please contact rwh-tr.fundraisingteam@nhs.net or visit: www.royalwolverhampton.nhs.uk/about-us/our-charity/charity-faqs/

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