



St Peters Hospital, Chertsey

Tom O'Connor and Gordon Parris brought smiles to the faces of the St Peter's Hospital Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit when they presented it with £3,000 worth of special equipment.

Audrey Elmore, Matron of the unit said "we are extremely grateful for the donation of two breast pumps, and the two syringe drivers will enable us to administer very small drug doses slowly to tiny babies."

Gordon Parris would like to thank everyone who participated in our annual charity golf day, held at Foxhills Golf and Country Club, for their support which enabled us to raise the funds for this special equipment.

A Tribute to Michael

The charity has been involved with Michael and his family for many years, and when he past away last April we wanted to help them with a fitting tribute.

swimming pool which benefits pupils by stimulating their senses or promoting relaxation and other children interact with the system by pressing floating switches.

Michael's parents donated the £2,000 raised at his funeral towards a special sensory system for Portesbury School, where Michael himself had been a pupil and CWSN was delighted to fund the £18,000 shortfall.

Head Teacher Justin Price said "the children who have already experimented with the new equipment have really loved the experience. We are looking forward to many years of use. We are extremely grateful to Michael's family and the charity for making all this possible and we are honored to remember Michael in this way."

This sensory equipment provides music and light in the school hydrotherapy



Swimathon

Staff, and family members from Waterfords Estate Agents and Herrington and Carmichael Solicitors took up the challenge to swim the equivalent of a half marathon. 60 swimmers collectively powered their way through 1,206 lengths covering the distance of well over an actual marathon. Thank you to Holmes Place who kindly donated the use of their pool for the event. Together they raised £4,000; thank you to everyone who took part.



Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to Rob and Jane Ward for organising an Easter Egg Hunt, the children all had a great time and raised £70.00.

Many thanks to Crawley Ridge Infant and Junior School for your very kind donation of £5,500, which was raised at their Spring Ball held at the Royal Military Academy - this donation is very much appreciated by our special children.



Otto the Pony - handsome as ever!

In our All About issue 11 we announced that the charity had purchased a pony for the 'Samber Riding for the Disabled Group.' We are delighted to let you know that Otto has settled in to his new home extremely well and has given a great deal of pleasure to all who ride him.

In response to a recent request from the Samber Riding Group we donated £800 to provide a secure storage place for Otto's equipment.

Everyone LOVES a Panto

On the 11th of December 2006, 1,483 seats were taken by children and parents at Woking theatre to watch a performance of Cinderella. Our great thanks go to Toshiba UK, Waitrose Ltd and Procter and Gamble; who kindly sponsored the £20,000 event. All the children had a fabulous evening, and it proved a great start to the Christmas festivities.



Eight lucky children are to go on a holiday of a life-time to Disneyworld, Florida.

In March 2007, David Mann of Mings Restaurant, London Road, Windlesham generously sponsored a dinner to raise funds to send eight special needs children on a trip to Disneyworld and to visit Universal Studios and swim with dolphins.

The children are all pupils from Carwarden House School, Camberley, for most of them this will be their first trip away without their parents; they will travel with the Head teacher, two teaching assistants and two charity representatives.

Previous trips organized by the charity have proved enormously successful in helping pupils establish relationships that are very special, learn to care and look out for each other and most importantly learn to become more independent and adapt to changes in their environment. All these things are very important to these children and it is wonderful that through your support that we can offer them this fantastic opportunity.

The charity would like to thank David and Alex for providing the accommodation, Ray for the tickets to Universal Studios, and Mark and his team at Planet Hollywood for their continued support.

Once again the charity offer children a holiday of a lifetime



Cherry Trees Respite Care Home, East Clandon

Cherry Trees Respite Care Home for disabled children in East Clandon was delighted to open its new Sensory Room on March 1st.

The Sensory Room was funded by CWSN Foundation and Gordon Parris its founder and chairman, is also a patron and enthusiastic supporter of Cherry Trees.

Tom O'Connor, popular comedian, snipped the ribbon across the doorway to perform the Opening Ceremony and joined in the celebrations with representatives of the care home.

Peter Davey, Cherry Trees' Head of Care, said, "The addition of this splendid new facility greatly enriches the variety of care and opportunities we can offer the children. We are enormously grateful to The Children With Special Needs Foundation for making this possible. The children and staff can't wait to make full use of this new facility".

As he spoke, delighted children were already exploring the multi coloured sensor beams, strobe lights, waterbed, musical chimes and numerous other magical experiences the room has to offer.

Grateful thanks from everyone at Cherry Trees.

No picture yet, is there one?

The X-BIKES arrive at Charters School, Sunningdale!



Seven specially adapted exercise bikes for children with special needs were donated to the Resource Unit at Charters School, Sunningdale.

The X-Bike is an indoor cycle with handlebars that moves from side to side so that the rider can engage the upper body and core, as well as the legs to improve fitness of the whole body.

The charity has been involved with the resource unit at Charters School for a few years and we were delighted to help with this new project. Now all the children can exercise together.

Pagham, September 2006

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Every year we have great pleasure in sending many families and organizations for a holiday to our mobile homes in Pagham.

Last September a group of young adults from the Link Leisure group had a fantastic break, as these photos show a great time was had by all.

NEW Mini Bus for Kennel Lane School, Bracknell



In 2006 three local organizations joined forces to collect funds in support of Kennel Lane School, Bracknell. CWSN Foundation, Mill Ride Golf Club and the Rotary Club of Ascot all raised over £30,000 during the year to purchase a desperately needed, specially adapted accessible mini bus.

This bus is an invaluable asset to Kennel Lane School, enabling them to access the full curriculum, travel to other special schools and take part in sporting tournaments.

All three organizations were determined to support Kennel Lane's ambition to enable disabled children, including children in wheelchairs, to socialise, work and play with their able-bodied friends and school mates.

Deputy Head Teacher Jan Beats said "now our children can enjoy the same outdoor events and day trips as their more able bodied school friends. It will help us hugely in allowing our children to achieve their full potential"

The children could not wait to explore and use the bus including some in their wheelchairs being lifted in by the hydraulic ramps.



"Ralph, a big thank you from all our special children, we look forward to hearing what your next challenge will be."

Not just a cycle ride!!!

Ralph Brazier handed over a cheque for £4,120 to the charity after completing a challenging 500km cycle ride from Mount Kenya to Lake Victoria. Our intrepid explorer also raised further funds for other charities.

His grueling endeavour took 10 days to complete and included five days of cycling at high altitudes over dirt tracks. Ralph cycled through spectacular Kenyan scenery in heat and dust and spotted animals he had only previously seen behind the bars of a zoo.

A message from Gordon

The Children with special Needs Foundation is very appreciative to the many individuals and businesses that either donate or raise funds for our charity and our very special children. We are now celebrating 12 years and have raised, with the help of you all, £2m which has been spent on many large and small projects. The Foundation is proof that local residents and businesses can work in partnership with a local charity to help many children in our local area.

We would like to thank all our Patrons who help raise our profile and we welcome Julian Small, the Chief Executive of the Wentworth Club, and his wife Karin; we are delighted you both agreed to be Patrons of the charity.

Our thanks go to our Chairman, Chris Ivil, our Treasurer Tom Broderick and of course our hard working committee, Ann and I appreciate all your efforts - thank you.

Special thanks go once again to Fiona and the team at Jellybean Creative Solutions for producing yet another edition of our All About newsletter.

We hope you enjoy reading our latest newsletter, and we look forward to welcoming you to one of our future events.

Gordon Parris

How You can help

The aim of the charity is to raise funds to support individuals, groups and schools in their requests for equipment, holidays and tuition as well as providing essential care for children with special needs in the local area. It also includes assisting talented children where there is a proven need.

We work with social workers, doctors, head teachers and other professionals who care for children with special needs and visit all those we help and discuss with them their future needs.

We carry out all of the above with voluntary help only, making sure that all money raised is spent on providing support for the children.

We hold several fund raising events throughout the year, and the dates are published on our website. www.childrenwithspecialneeds.co.uk

Three of our main fund raising events are held annually. If you would like to support us in any way you can find out more and contact us at: info@childrenwithspecialneeds.co.uk

Future Dates

Summer Ball, Wentworth Club	Saturday, 21st June 2008
Christmas Ball, Wentworth Club	Saturday, 6th December 2008
Golf Day	To be confirmed

Many companies, organisations and individuals kindly organise their own fund raising events for the charity. If you would like to help us to help all our very special children we would love to hear from you.

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Lindon Bennett School, Feltham

As a supporter of the CWSN Foundation I attend and enjoy many of the fund raising events: the Summer and Winter Balls, the annual Golf Day and various fund raising dinners, all of which raise money for great causes.

In March I was invited to Lindon Bennett, a school that the charity has been involved with for a number of years and which benefits from some of the funds raised. CWSN has helped with many projects within the school.

This was to be a very special morning for all the children at the school, they were going to perform in the annual school play and every child whatever their disability had a part to play.

The play called 'At the Bottom of my Garden' told the story of how all the creatures,

fairies, pixies and workers help to make a garden grow and throughout the performance the garden did grow as a backdrop of beautiful flowers and trees.

It really touched my heart to see how well these children are doing despite their disabilities and how much dedication and effort the people who work with them put in.

I can't express how much I enjoyed being part of it and sharing a very special morning with parents, grandparents, friends and teachers; it was just wonderful to see the children achieving so much.

Silvia



The latest project helped by CWSN is to provide an outside play area, including a sun shelter so all the children can enjoy being outdoors.