

The Manor Annual **Charity Newsletter**

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For Harvest we collected over 900 items for the Abingdon Emergency Food Bank.



Poppies sold by the Year 6 children in aid of The Royal British Legion as a symbol of Remembrance and Hope (£132.60).

Why does The Manor give to charity?

Through the experiences and awareness that The Manor children gain through charitable giving locally, nationally and globally, we can encourage them to become visionaries, with regards to charitable giving, in the future. We achieve this through partnerships with local schools and charities, fund raising or presentations in assemblies, with the aim being to inspire the children to believe they can really make a difference to a life!

Since lockdown, our charitable giving has been curtailed but you will see in this newsletter how children, their parents and staff have engaged in fundraising, even during these uncertain times. What a joy this is to see!

Catherine Duff, Charities Co-ordinator

Mr Thomas' Lockdown Haircut

Instead of the Summer Fete 2020, Year 6 children have pitched for local charities. The charity that eventually came through with the most votes was The Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary.

Mr Thomas agreed to have a haircut—I think you'll agree it was necessary! His family, Mrs Thomas, Milly and Martha, were in charge of the clippers. We have raised an astounding £2360 which will enormously help this local charity to provide a refuge for dogs, cats and rabbits who have been mistreated, neglected, abandoned, are unwanted or their owners are no longer able to care for their pets. Thank you so much for your huge generosity!

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Children designed their own Christmas cards and had them printed to delight family and friends. Through this we raised a total of £224, with £112 going to

At The Bus and £112 going towards MAP events.

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Macmillan Coffee Morning

This was organised by MAP and raised £51.62.

Christmas is such a special time of year but also a time when we need to think of others. Early Years performed the most wonderful Christmas Story, which warmed all our hearts. They raised £390 for the John Radcliffe Children's Hospital.

Year 1 and 2 performed poetry, songs and the traditional Christingle ceremony, which is always a highlight! They raised £402.72 for The Children's Society.

The Year 3-6 Carol Service, held in St Helen's Church, was a wonderful, musically-enhanced ending to the Autumn term. They raised a staggering £989.69, which went to Kapumpe Christian Primary School in Zambia. What joy we were able to spread with our donations!



Staff Reverse Advent Calendar:

Staff donated Christmas food and gifts for children and adults that are struggling in our local area. These were distributed through The Abingdon Emergency Foodbank. Items were donated each day of advent, rather than receiving as is the norm at Advent.

Micah K (Year 4), along with his U10 football team, raised over £2000 which was split between the NHS, DKMS UK, and their team club. They collectively ran over 500 miles in 25 days! Wow, go Micah!





Mrs Haines (Year 1 TA) and her family have always been a family of animal lovers so were worried when they heard that one of their favourite places, Crocodiles of the World, was struggling to survive after having to close during lockdown. They set up a stall in their front garden asking for donations and also took part in the Abingdon Zoo Day by turning their garden into a mini zoo for people to come and enjoy! They managed to raise over £120 for Crocodiles of the world! A terrific

Jemima D (Year 2) gathered together books, toys and games and, with the help of an honesty box at the gate, raised £91.68 for The Blue Cross animal charity! She also helped her mother make mask extenders for local care home staff - learning to sew buttons and use a sewing machine! Jemima also made Pom poms for another care home for a rainbow garland. On top of this, she has delivered cakes and scones to neighbours, together with her mother. Well done, Jemima!





Annabel and Polly E (Year 5 and 3) have been busying themselves with writing stacks of thank you cards to carers and NHS frontline staff to go in the care packages that the villagers of Long Wittenham have put together. The village VE celebrations could not go ahead so the villagers put together over 420 individual care boxes (toiletries and healthy snacks) and baked mounds of cakes and biscuits. They were all delivered to three local hospitals plus the South Oxfordshire ambulance crew. The children were all asked to do personalised notes to say thank you and one was popped in each care box.

Annabel and Polly played their part in drawing and writing stacks of notes and helped their mother put together their donations and cakes for the cause. Well done, Edwards Family!



Cupcakes for Port Macquarie Koala Conservation

This was a child-led project! The children were really devastated by the bushfires in Australia and how it had affected not only the livelihood of families but also that of the wildlife, particularly the koalas.

They wanted to make a difference and so all children were invited to submit a cupcake design. Winners were chosen with their design replicated on a cupcake. The sale of these cupcakes raised £1540.73



The purpose of the Conservation Foundation is to conserve, protect and restore habitat areas for koalas and prevent their extinction or reduction. We raised enough to plant one and a half acres of trees which is just amazing! We achieved this together as a whole school community and that is very inspirational!

Rose Watts (Year 5) and her sister Alice decided to raise money for the NHS charities by running/walking for 3 miles a day over 10 days (30 miles in total). Neither of them had done a running challenge before but managed to stick with it over the ten days and raise a grand total of £500 for this worthwhile cause. Well done, girls!



Charlie L (Year 3) took part in the 26 Challenge replacing the London Marathon. He scored 260 goals in 2.6 days and raised £206 for Cancer Research. What an achievement!

His Mummy did the NHS Run for Heroes 5km & nominated Flo S's (Year 5)

Mummy. What awesome Mums!





Scarlett S (Year 5) and Hayley R (Year 4) ran a stall, on their road, to raise money for Henley Food Bank. They made jewellery and painted decorative rocks, which they sold alongside toys and books. They raised £124.76 which they used to buy food. They then delivered this to their local food bank. Just amazing girls, you should be very proud of yourselves!



Dave Copping cycled his minibus route with Manor Ted on Saturday 27th June. 37.5 miles in the rain is no mean feat—luckily he was supported at his regular stops, by several Manor families!

Through his efforts, he has raised £830 for the NHS Oxford Hospital Charities. Well done, Mr Copping!















