

Lent Charity Appeal 2021

By Year 8

Monday 8th March

Introduction...

Around this time every year at school, pupils, staff and parents from the Barrow Hills community raise money for the Lent Charity Appeal. We didn't want to cancel this annual event due to Covid, especially this year where lots of things have been tough for many people. So we think it's more important than ever to help others and spread some cheer and joy...



What is Lent?



The Key Facts About Lent

- Lent is a period of 40 days during which Christians remember the events leading up to and including the death of Jesus Christ, whose life and teachings are the foundation of Christianity.
- The 40-day period is called Lent after an old English word meaning 'lengthen'.
- This is because of the time of year when it happens, as this is when the days start to get longer, as we approach Summer.
- It is a time of reflection and of asking for forgiveness, and when Christians prepare to celebrate Jesus's resurrection at the feast of Easter, which comes at the very end of Lent.
- During Lent, many people decide to give something up that they love - perhaps chocolate, sweets or even using social media.
- Others might decide to take *up* something, like helping out more at home or making an effort to be nicer to their brother or sister.
- Did you know Lent started on Wednesday 17th February this year.

So what does the word Charity mean?

What the word Charity means:

'A person or organisation set up to provide **help** for others in need'.

As a school we are going to focus on that word 'help'. With this in mind Year 8 have been researching how we can help a local charity for this year's charity appeal.

Hear what Head Girl Phoebe has to say...

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Charity 1: The Meath in Godalming



Key Facts on The Meath in Godalming

- There are currently over 600,000 people living with epilepsy in the UK, that's equivalent to roughly one in every 103 people. As a guide, about eighty seven more people will be diagnosed today... and every day.
- If you or someone you care for is living with complex epilepsy, then the Meath in Godalming is here to help...
- This is what staff have to say about the Meath:
- We are especially proud of the friendly, vibrant and welcoming atmosphere that greets everyone as they arrive and which seems to permeate all our buildings. It's very special and we never, ever, take it for granted. one family member's comment,

This is what Family members that have love ones at the Meath:

- *"the Meath is a most exceptional place and should be used as a blueprint for all care homes".*

Charity 2: Halow Project in Guildford



Key Facts on Halow Project in Guildford

The **halow project** is a growing community-based charity, situated in Guildford, Surrey. We support young people, aged 16+, with a learning disability on their journey into adult life.

The young people we work with want the opportunity to:

- Build relationships
- Become part of the community
- Find meaningful employment
- Have a home of their own

Charity 3: Challengers in Guildford



Key Facts on Challengers in Guildford

Vision:

A world where all children and young people can play together, freely.

Mission:

To provide truly inclusive, fun and safe places where all disabled children and young people can spend time with their friends. To offer a positive impact for families and the wider community.

→ Our goals and values

- Providing truly inclusive, fun and safe places where all disabled children and young people aged up to 18 years can spend time with their friends.
- Providing a positive impact for families and the wider community alongside service delivery across South East England.
- To never exclude a child or young person and ensuring services are designed to meet the needs and desires of every child and young person that uses our services.
- Delivering high quality training and employment and volunteering opportunities that are developed to enhance the wellbeing of disabled children and young people.
- Educating all staff to help them understand disability and take those views into society to help shape and change perception.
- Leading by example and be a champion for inclusion through the offer of participation, training, information and guidance so that others can do the same.
- Providing other services that enable the charity to deliver support to young people and contribute towards achieving the vision of a world where all disabled children and young people can play together freely.

Now it's time to vote...

Now that you have heard about the three charities it's time to discuss and vote as a form which one you think should be picked for this year's Lent Appeal.

Form Teachers please can you ask the pupils in your form now to vote. Once you have counted the votes form teachers, please can you complete the google sheet that has been shared with you today.

Once all the votes have been counted your form teacher will let you know later this week which charity has has been selected for this years lent appeal.

Now it's time to get your thinking caps on..

Over the rest of this term you will need to think of some fundraising ideas so you can raise as much money as possible. The fundraising event can be completed at school with your class thinking of an event for you to sponsor and complete. However, you may also do an individual event as well from home depending on Covid restrictions!

Remember you have until Friday 26th March to complete your fundraising event and send in your money.



Hear what Head Boy Barnaby has to say...

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Physical Fundraising Ideas...

Sponsored bike ride in fancy dress



Sponsored walk, run or bike ride where you get money for each mile completed.



Physical Fundraising Ideas...



Dance till you
drop
fundraiser on
the school
astro

Climbing your stairs to reach
the same height of a
mountain.



Helping fundraising Ideas..



Help doing chores at home such as cleaning the dishes, help with the laundry or help in the garden.



Helping Fundraising Ideas...



Help your neighbour with a social distance task



Maybe you could read to a family member



Sponsored litter pick around where you live

Key Information

- You have until Friday 26th March to complete your fundraising idea and send your money.
- Any amazing and impressive challenges completed may have a very good chance of getting a credit or making the Friday letter
- Form teachers, if parents ask how to send the fundraising money, here are the details. But it will be in a letter to parents from Mr Crisell

Payment can be made via the following two methods. In both cases please use Lent/[childssurname] as the reference:

Paypal: paypal@barrowhills.org (please remember to select friends and family)

Bank Transfer: BHCC | RBS | 16298894 | 16-00-15

Credits: (the closest ever??)

Kean - 66 credits (5.5 pts)

Murtough - 66 credits (3.5 pts)

McCormack - 65 credits (3pts)

Prayer

Lord, teach us to be kind in heart, so that love, grace, and charity flow forth like a river. Give us a generosity that reflects your own, through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



Today's Hymn

WHEN I NEEDED A NEIGHBOUR

