

# THE ALDWORTH SCHOOL CHARITY CLUB NEWS AUTUMN TERM 2021



## FEATURING:

FUNDRAISING FOR SEND A COW, **CHARITY OF THE YEAR INFORMATION**, MRS LAWRENCE'S CHARITY HAIR CUT, **POPPY APPEAL 2021** AND WHAT'S COMING UP



## HELLO AND WELCOME

Hello and welcome to the latest edition of **Charity Club News**. The students in Charity Club have been involved in a wide range of interesting and important fundraising events here in school with well over £1000 being raised so far for charity and good causes – **that is now well over £15,000 since the current Charity Club started back in 2017 – an incredible achievement for a school-based Charity Club**. In this latest edition you will find out all about our fundraising appeals and what we have planned for the future as well as how you can get in contact and our grand total for the year so far. We hope you enjoy reading it.

The Charity Club students & Mr Lewis

## SEND A COW APPEAL

At the end of last half-term, Charity Club held a successful appeal in order to raise money for families and communities in a number of African countries. The 'Send a Cow' appeal was



CHARITY CLUB'S

### SEND A COW APPEAL

HELPING COMMUNITIES ACROSS AFRICA



specially chosen by long-standing Charity Club members Charles, Max and Ethan who wanted to make a real impact for the better when they became aware of the desperate living conditions that families and communities are still facing in Africa.

The appeal was a huge success and Ethan said 'We raised over £1000 for the Send a Cow charity that helps the poorest communities in Africa to grow crops and live in better conditions. To raise money, we had three major events. Firstly, we had a massive tuck-shop sale. Children from all years flocked to the sale to buy drinks, chocolate and food. The sale was a success and we raised over £150 alone. Secondly, Max waxed his legs and people paid to tear a strip. His brother Charles from 11C shaved his head to a number two grade as well. Charity Club students also put together a PowerPoint for tutors to show their tutor groups as well as making appeal videos to put onto the school's Facebook page for parents and guardians to watch. We would like to say 'thank you to all those who supported the appeal in any way.'



You can still donate to the appeal at JustGiving and searching for Aldworth Send a Cow. Thank you.

## IN FOCUS: SEND A COW

Every day families face poverty that is extreme, cruel, and worst of all – unnecessary. But rural Africa is rich with opportunity and where there is land, there is hope. Send a Cow doesn't impose solutions, they help grow them from within. That's why they work. Send a Cow's African-designed solutions were developed with, and for, the communities they support. Families get back the skills and confidence they need to get the most from their land. Families can grow enough food, earn a living and go after their dreams.

And because the families they work with pass on what they know, success quickly multiplies, from family to family, community to community, generation to generation.

Working across six African countries, Send a Cow speaks many languages. But in all of them, Send a Cow has come to mean a better future.



## POPPY APPEAL 2021

Charity Club supported the wonderful Royal British Legion's annual Poppy Appeal this year by not only selling standard poppies around school but also making limited-edition acrylic poppies alongside Ms Wootton in Product Design. The students then went around school selling the poppies to members of staff and students with over £270 raised in total. The hand-made poppy project took around three weeks to complete with students working together to produce each beautiful poppy stage by stage from preparation to construction.

Jeremiah from Charity Club said *'In Charity Club, we raised money to support the Royal British Legion for Remembrance Day like we do every year. However, this year we decided to make plastic poppies as well as selling the paper poppies to beat our target that we achieved in previous years.*

*The money that we send goes to military and ex-military personnel, and also widows and widowers.*

*We sold the plastic poppies for a total of £1.50 and the paper poppies for a recommended donation of £1 but we would accept any donation. We raised an estimated total of £260.*

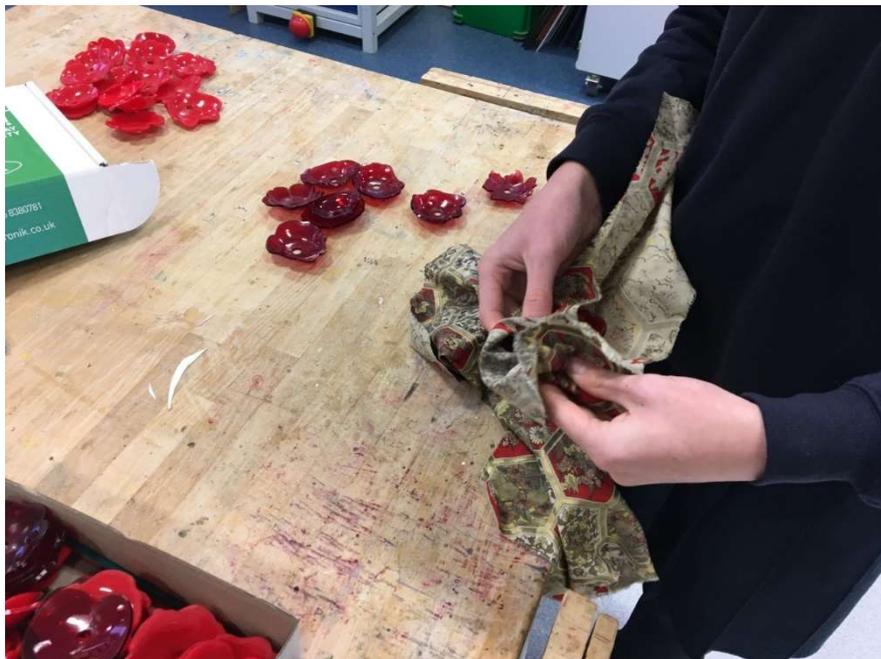
*This project took an average of 3 weeks – 2 weeks to design the plastic poppies and we were given the paper ones from the Royal British Legion and 1 week to sell the poppies in the main hall at breaktime and lunchtimes.*

*The fundraising was found to be more popular with the staff and less popular with the children.*

*The charity, Royal British Legion, is at the heart of a national network that supports our Armed*

*Forces community. They work with politicians and officials of all levels to represent the interests of the Armed Forces community. This community is given a voice by the RBL.*

*Thank you for your support with this appeal.*



## MRS LAWRENCE'S CHARITY HAIR CUT

Mrs Lawrence from Learning Support has so far raised £328 for Children in Need 2021 by having her hair cut for the charity by the lovely Mrs Stratton in Hair and Beauty. She then sent her luscious locks off to the Little Princess Trust. Asked afterwards about the project Mrs



Lawrence said 'On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November I had in over 17" of my hair cut off to raise money for Children In Need 2021. I then donated my hair to The Little Princess Trust. They make wigs for children with alopecia or who have lost their hair due to Cancer. This was my 3rd hair donation to this cause since 2016. I have now been growing my hair for 3 years for this great cause.'

Together we can support children and young people across the UK to rebuild their lives. I am so proud of my achievements and knowing that a child will benefit from my donated hair. I would like to thank Mrs Stratton for giving up her time and for restyling my hair.' Everyone at Charity Club are so impressed with Mrs Lawrence's commitment and willingness to go that 'extra mile' in order to make a difference to a young person's life in the UK. **WELL DONE MRS LAWRENCE. YOU DID GREAT!!**



You can still donate to Mrs Lawrence's page at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/nicola-lawrence11>

## DID YOU KNOW?

Max from Charity Club looked into some key charity based statistics and found out that **44 million people regularly donate to charity giving an average of £16 per month.** There are also 160,000 charities in the UK with nearly 90% of which have an income below £500k per year. In addition to this, charities fund 60% of cancer research in the UK and over 40% of all medical research.



## CHARITY OF THE YEAR 2021-2022

**Did you know that Charity Club have a 'Charity of the Year' for 2021-2022?** The students researched a number of local charities and selected the Basingstoke NeighbourCare charity as a charity they would like to focus on and promote during this school year.

Peter from the charity said *'Basingstoke NeighbourCare is now in its 25<sup>th</sup> year and is a registered charity. We provide accompanied car transport for around 500 elderly people each year, taking them to hospital and GP appointments or shops. We also provide befriending, helping to improve the quality of life for those who find themselves socially isolated within their homes. Our befriender is often one of the few familiar faces that the person sees on a regular basis, visiting on a weekly basis for an hour or so at a time. This is a very rewarding role that brings friendship, company and a chance to chat to a friendly person. If you enjoy a chat over a cuppa, maybe a game of scrabble or are happy to read to someone, we would love to hear from you. We are always looking for*



*volunteers to drive or befriend. Bob said "Before Lisa visited me, I had to go into town and have my letters read to me due to my poor eyesight. Lisa has helped me greatly as she reads my letters and organises me. It's the best thing that has happened to me. I'm very grateful for Lisa.'*

Charles from Charity Club said *'Charity Club are looking forward enormously to supporting this essential charity in 2022. Our plans for supporting the charity include producing an appeal video, holding various fundraising events within school, putting on an assembly and making a PowerPoint presentation for tutors to show their tutor groups amongst other projects. We really hope we raise as much money for the charity as possible because they provide such an amazing service. Please look out for information throughout 2022 about what we are doing and how you can get involved.'*

**For more information about the charity please:**

- **Visit: [neighbourcare.com](http://neighbourcare.com)**
- **Phone: 01256 423855**
- **Email: [info@neighbourcare.com](mailto:info@neighbourcare.com)**



## CHARITY CLUB CHALLENGES

Ethan from Charity Club says 'Can you work out these anagrams of these different charities? Good luck!'

1. IOALRTHROLEYBIEISN
2. IEEDRIHCDLRNNN
3. BNEIAROGHECUR
4. PTTRELIUSTINRSSELC
5. EAWONSDC



## GET IN TOUCH

You can now contact us here at Charity Club directly at our email address. We would love to hear from you about anything charity related. For instance, you might know somebody we could feature in a future 'Local Hero' article, know of a local charity that needs fundraising for, know someone who we could interview, have an idea for a new feature or have carried out your own fantastic fundraising project that we could feature – please get in touch! Our email address is

**[charityclub@aldworth.hants.sch.uk](mailto:charityclub@aldworth.hants.sch.uk)**

## MEET THE TEAM

Charity Club News was compiled by the Charity Club students who are:  
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## GRAND TOTAL

Our grand total for this year so far is:

**£1270**

Thank you for your support.



COMING UP

# CHRISTMAS

# JUMPER DAY

*Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December*

*£2 per student who wishes  
to take part via Just Giving*

*All money to Save the  
Children*

*Look out for further  
details about this  
event nearer the  
time.*



