

Adore a chore to help a family

Last week, the *Cambridge Independent* launched an initiative to get schools on board with its Each Help at Home Appeal, a scheme which will give families whose children have life-limiting illnesses some practical help with everyday chores.

This week, Each – East Anglian Children’s Hospices – shares some fundraising ideas to encourage every single reader to get involved. It’s easier than you may think.

On the theme of chores

In the office: Everyone appreciates a colleague making tea or coffee for them. Why not ask your colleagues to sponsor you to make the refreshments for a day? To raise some extra pounds, try combining this with a fancy-dress day or similar.

Auction of promises: There’s always an odd job on the to-do list that’s continually being put back, so why not offer people the chance to get rid of it? Auctioning services such as the building of flat-pack furniture, getting the garden summer-ready, the baking of a cake or ironing really can be a good moneymaker. It’s a particularly fun event for businesses to run, as staff can nominate or vote for a manager to auction the services.

Car wash: It’s a classic fundraiser but it never gets old. Try this in your neighbourhood or staff car park and ask people to text to donate.

East Anglian Children’s Hospices needs £87,500 to provide a new service which will provide support to Cambridgeshire families. Here, the charity’s MICHAEL JARVIS gives a few ideas of how you can help.



Family time

Movie night: Get the popcorn in, the flicks on and your feet up! Invite all your friends and charge for admission tickets and snacks.

Pamper night: Grab some facemasks and nail polish, sit back, relax and have a good natter with

friends at a fraction of the cost of a spa day. You could either charge for entry or create a treatment menu.

Family trivia night: Invite grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and more, and hold a quiz about your family! A great way to learn more about each other and raise money, too.

Each events

Skydives: For those of you looking to tick a box on your bucket list, Each is holding tandem skydives on Saturday, June 17 and Saturday, September 16 at Chatteris Airfield.

Prudential RideLondon-Surrey 100: Each has three spaces left in this 100-mile cycling sportive that takes place on a similar route to the London 2012 road races, allowing participants to relive the Olympic experience. The event takes place on August 6.

Make sure to let us know you are signing up to these in support of the appeal. The money will fund a co-ordinator for three years to provide families with the support they need to get tasks done at home and free up time for them to spend with their children.

■ To find out more, to register or for help planning a fundraiser, visit each.org.uk or call the fundraising team on 01223 204916.

■ If every reader of the *Cambridge Independent* donated £5, we would raise more than enough to reach our £87,500 target. Text EHAH00 £5 to 70070 to donate £5 now.

In brief

Appeal to trace man wanted over city burglaries

Police want the public’s help to find a man who is wanted in connection with burglaries and vehicle crime in Cambridge.

Cambridgeshire police said they want to talk to Robert Payne, 30, about multiple offences. The force added that he had been recalled to prison on Thursday afternoon for breaching the conditions of his licence.

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101.

An afternoon of flowers and cake

St Andrew’s Church in Cherry Hinton will be open on Easter Sunday (April 16) afternoon for visitors to view the flower arrangements and displays of memorial lilies.

There will also be a chance to sample home-made cakes and teas. The church will be open between 2pm and 4pm. All are welcome.



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