



# Sunny Days Children's Fund

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## Another Year On!

Sunny Days was set up to aid children under the age of 18 years with a wide range of adverse medical conditions including Leukaemia, Cerebral Palsy, the Deaf and Blind, Terminal Illnesses, and all other life hindering conditions.

With the generous donations we have received during our first three years we have been able to build close relationships with the social workers at Hospitals and County Councils throughout the country including but not limited to **Great Ormond Street London, St James's Leeds and Alder Hay Liverpool.**

We make small grants to enable us to help as many children and their families as possible, whether it be for day trips medical equipment, respite, hospital travel, or sadly making children's remaining time as comfortable as possible, to include where achievable, children's last wishes.

We have been inundated with requests from Social Workers and Children's Hospitals and thanks to the generosity of our donors have already been able to help a number of families in such a short space of time.

**We have listed below a sample of some of the families we have helped.**



Harry is our ongoing appeal for this year, he suffers with Neuropathic Cystinosis which is a serious condition affecting his kidneys. Due to him requiring regular hospital visits we have agreed to help his single mother with the traveling and accommodation costs that are incurred.

## How Your Money Is Spent!

### **Georgina DOB 30.10.05**

Georgina has hypotonia, mild cerebral palsy and global developmental delay. We were pleased to purchase a specially adapted high chair for her to use at nursery and at her respite placement.

### **Nevaeh DOB 22.07.99**

Nevaeh has a diagnosis of scleroderma and dermatomyositis. Her social worker requested funding for a new bed as the creams Nevaeh requires for her treatment have ruined the old one. We were pleased to supply the required funding.

### **Connor DOB 04.07.94**

Connor has chronic renal failure and has dialysis 3 times a week he is currently being assessed for a living related donor transplant (his father is hoping to be approved as a suitable donor). Connor's dietary requirements are specific and costly we were pleased to cover the cost of his diet for three months.

### **Alexander DOB 18.06.91**

Alexander suffers from Aspergers Syndrome, mild vocal ticks and migraine. He attends special school and is currently working towards GCSE's and AS qualifications in the sixth form. We were pleased to supply a laptop for Alexander to help with his education and a new bed as he was sleeping on a mattress on the floor due to lack of family funding.

### **Hope DOB 10.10.05**

Hope was born with congenital Central Hypoventilation Syndrome. She has to be ventilated through BIPAP whenever she sleeps. The family required a video/tv screen baby monitor to observe her while she sleeps last year we were happy to purchase this equipment for her. This year we helped with funding for a storage unit for Hopes medical supplies.

### **Tashka DOB 22.01.96**

Tashka has Bilateral Arteriovenous Malformation, a rare vascular malformation that carries a risk of serious complications. Her condition has deteriorated, and she has been a hospital in-patient since January 2009. This has placed tremendous financial strain on the family so we were pleased to help with hospital travelling costs.

### **Luca DOB 20.10.07**

Luca has severe Haemophilia A, a life long condition which causes him to have bleeds into his joints and can potentially become quite debilitating. We were pleased to help with a grant for days out for Luca through the summer.

### **Stephen & Daniel DOB**

Stephen & Daniel are twins who have severe learning difficulties and Cerebral Palsy and both are wheelchair users. They both enjoy being around people and are doing well at their Specialist Inclusive Learning Centre. The centre runs a play scheme in the summer and we were pleased to fund this for them both.

### **Mustafar DOB 28.07.02**

Mustafar has Leucoencephalopathy, a degenerative brain disorder and is in a wheelchair. Mustafar's muscles become very stiff and consequently he has to be constantly repositioned and cannot stay in one position for more than 10-20 minutes. He has a placement on a summer play scheme, which we were pleased to fund.

### **Jerzie DOB 12.05.08**

Jerzie has a diagnosis of gastroschisis her parents are on a low income and have just recently moved home. Jerzie is prone to infection and therefore her bedroom requires a new carpet for when she comes out of hospital. We were pleased to purchase the carpet for Jerzie.

### **Jayden DOB 29.01.08**

Jayden has a diagnosis of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency, which is a condition that requires a bone marrow transplant. Jayden's family are struggling financially with her lengthy hospital admission. We were pleased to help with a grant for travelling costs.

### **Chelsie DOB 17.08.97**

Chelsie was diagnosed with an autistic spectrum condition. She has communication disorder and high frequency deafness and presents very challenging behaviour especially at home. We were pleased to help with a grant for a play scheme for 2 weeks in the summer.