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Parent using Jessie May service

Supporting local terminally ill children

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What's On?

Thornbury Rotary Swimathon
4th – 6th March

Bath Half Marathon
13th March 2016

London Marathon
24th April

Jessie May Week
9th - 14th May

Jessie May Corporate
Networking Event 12th May

Jessie May Community
Drop In Day 13th May

Jessie May Skydive
14th May

Bristol 10k
15th May

Castle Combe Steam Rally
21st - 22nd May

Bristol Rotary Dragon Boat
Festival 12th June

Bristol Night Rider
25th June



Remember us in your will

Your will provides for those you love, but it can also provide for a cause which mattered to you during your lifetime. A gift to Jessie May in your will means you can continue to support both today and in the future.

Please remember us in your will and help us support families with terminally ill children. Please contact the fundraising team for more details.

Thank You to our fundraisers

Luke Stephenson from Jelf Group for his epic cycle challenge

Woodspring Lodge for a fantastic year of support

Claremont school for Getting Messy for Jessie & being great friends

Handelsbanken for playing table football and raising money

Bristol Hippodrome for all your support with bucket collections

Willowbrook Townswomen's Guild for becoming good friends

Mulberry for the donation of a unique handbag

Ergochair for their continuing support

Moving Experience for a fantastic Karting event

Lloyds Banking Group your days really did make a difference

The All Bristol Bowls Association for a great year

Downend Roundtable for putting a sparkle into November 5th for Jessie May

Excel 96 for all the presents at our Christmas Party

Russell Smith for taking on 4 difficult challenges for Jessie May last year



Caring @ Work

Our Caring at Work scheme continues to grow and the take up has been so good that we have managed to fund one Jessie May nurse and we're well on our way to funding our second.

Businesses who sign up to donate £1000 to us not only have the satisfaction of helping our families, they also benefit from our regular networking events where they can meet other like-minded business contacts.

Anyone who may be interested in Caring at Work is invited to join us at our next corporate networking event on Thursday 12 May.

Please contact Lindsey Horton at Lindsey.Horton@jessiemay.org.uk if you're interested.



For more details on fundraising in memory of a loved one please contact our fundraising team on 0117 9582174

Home care matters



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KAYLA'S STORY AND THE BIG LOTTERY FUND

We are so excited to announce that we have been shortlisted for the Big Lottery Fund's 'People's Project' which means we are in with the chance of receiving an amazing £50,000 grant – and we need your help to win!

We have produced a special video with the help of ITV, which can be viewed on the ITV website and our own website and will be shown this week on the ITV Westcountry news. People will have the chance to vote for our project as well as four others and those with the most votes will win!

If we are successful we plan to use the grant to provide expanded services for the siblings of our terminally ill children who often act as Young Carers for their brothers and sisters from a very early age.

Currently we provide respite visits for 96 families and bereavement support for a further 35 families; over 122 siblings will benefit from this expanded service. We believe that siblings within our families must not be overlooked and The Big Lottery Fund could help us to increase our support for them.

Teatime is a pressure point for many of our families and our teatime respite breaks allow both parents and siblings the chance to have a rest and enjoy quality time together while feeling confident that their child is being cared for in the best way.

The Badmans, who are featured on our People's Project video, understand how difficult it is to dedicate the amount of time needed to care for a child with complex needs at the same time as spending quality time with another child in the family.

Ann Marie Badman tells her story:

“Our family is made up of myself and Lee, 8-year-old Nisha and 5-year-old Kayla who was diagnosed with an atypical form of Rett Syndrome and epilepsy at the age of two-and-a-half.



“Once we had the diagnoses we were able to adapt and although we loved having Kayla at home we soon realised that she would need care 24- hours a day 7-days a week while also taking care of our older daughter Nisha.

“Nisha plays a huge part in caring for Kayla. She is always bringing and fetching things that we need and often helps feed Kayla at meal times.

“When we are sleep deprived it can be very difficult to be full time parents to both children. Nisha is fantastic at understanding that sometimes we cannot do something because of Kayla's condition or because we might have been up all the previous night with Kayla. That is why a visit from Caroline, our Jessie May Nurse, is so important to us.

“We use the visits as a chance to devote our time to Nisha, whether it is time to have a family meal or just time to do something special that, maybe, other children take for granted like going to the park or a treat like going bowling. This time is solely for Nisha. We usually try to have our respite visits on a Friday across tea time so that Nisha doesn't have to worry about getting back to do homework

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Kayla cont.

and she can have us all to herself for a few hours. We know that there are things that Kayla cannot come and do with us but is important that Nisha has the same opportunities as other children.

"Nisha is a brilliant big sister to Kayla – she takes care of her and helps her in so many ways. When we are all together at home she understands that Kayla's needs have to come first and she has never ever complained about that. She deserves to have fun and time with Mum and Dad as any other child would and Jessie May helps us to give her that for a few hours."

If you would like to vote for us and help us help Young Carers like Nisha, please visit the website at www.jessiemay.org.uk and click on The Big Lottery Fund link.

We need as many votes as possible by the closing date of 13 February so please help us to spread the word and share with your friends!



CITY WEST COMMERCIALS OFFER FURTHER SUPPORT

City West Commercial continue to amaze us with their support of Jessie May Nurses and we would like to thank everyone who has run miles and miles for us and jumped into freezing cold water on our behalf!

Big and Little Jessie, our Vito and Citan vans, have become personalities in the own right and are now recognised throughout Bristol and the surrounding areas. They continue to be a blessing by prompting people to contact us to find out more about our service. Perfect! The Jessies are working their magic.

Lindsey Horton, Corporate Partnerships Officer, said: "The support shown by all at City West Commercial has been phenomenal. They continue to go above and beyond in their fundraising and support. We are truly grateful for all they have done and look forward to continuing our partnership".



Welcome

Welcome to the latest issue of Homecare Matters which celebrates all the exciting

things we at the charity and you, our supporters, have been up to lately.

I have to pay special mention to the incredibly exciting news that one of our projects has been shortlisted by the Big Lottery Fund for its People's Project scheme. If we manage to secure enough votes we will receive a fantastic grant which will go towards a project supporting the siblings who act as young carers

for their terminally-ill brothers and sisters. I'm urging all of our wonderful supporters to please take the time to watch the project video and vote for us. Details on how to do this can be found in the newsletter and it would mean so much.

Please enjoy browsing our latest news and celebrating the work of some inspirational people.

Chris Roys
CEO
Jessie May

A VERY ROYAL VISIT

In the summer we received a very special visit to our headquarters from HRH Sophie Countess of Wessex.

It was a very exciting day and the sun shone on us as the Countess attended a reception where she met with some of our families, nurses, volunteers and supporters.

As well as spending time finding out more about what we do the Countess also unveiled a special

plaque to commemorate what would have been Jessica May's 21st birthday.

It was a wonderful way to celebrate the short life of the child who has inspired the pioneering work of our charity. The Countess of Wessex has a special interest in children's charities and we are already lucky enough to receive some funding from the Wessex Youth Trust so it was lovely to be able to thank her in person.

In Memory

James Cecil aged 8 years
Harvey Hext aged 9 years

GET MESSY FOR JESSIE

We recently launched a brand new initiative aimed at getting local schools, nurseries and colleges to 'Get Messy for Jessie'!

The launch was a great success with support from Emerson's Green School and Claremont School in Henleaze. Pupils and teachers had loads of fun getting covered in flour and powder paints and creating works of art with fake worms and balloon paints.

Jessie May fundraiser Helen Mackie said: "We are thrilled with the success of our first ever Get Messy for Jessie campaign. This is a really fun event for children to get involved with and the schools which took part in the first campaign had a great time!"

"This is something we would like to grow year-on-year and we're already looking for schools to sign up to this year's event. They can take part in any way they choose from a messy bake off day, messy hair day, painting parties, baked-bean baths or even gunging the teachers!"

"Thanks also go to our corporate supporters Krispy Kreme and Virgin Money who both helped support this project.

"If you think your child's school might be interested in taking part, please contact me on helen.mackie@jessiemay.org.uk"

TEEING OFF FOR JESSIE MAY

In 2015 we received massive support from the local golfing community including amazing donations from Filton Golf Club and Bath Golf Club.

Several of our corporate supporters also took to the course to raise vital funds, including Imtech Environ, Jelf, ETS and David Wilson Homes.

We must also thank the lovely Bristol Wanderers rugby team who took a step out of their comfort zones to play with a very different kind of ball and raised a wonderful amount during their golf day.



This year we are looking forward to working with Chipping Sodbury Golf Club and Cotswold Edge Golf Club which will be holding fundraising events for us.



KEEP THE WHEELS TURNING

The Keep the Wheels Turning fundraising event at St John's Hospital in Bath made the average spin class look like a warm up! The event, in association with Thrings, saw 90 people cycle non-stop in 15 minute stints for 12 hours! Both corporate and community supporters helped out and a whopping £2500 was raised on the day.

As if this wasn't impressive enough local personal trainer Pete James who was there to encourage participants unexpectedly decided to row a full marathon while he was there, completing the challenge in two hours and raising an additional £300 – what a champ!



YES! I would like to support Jessie May

1 My details

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Address
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I would like to make a single donation of:

£10 £20 £50 Other

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Expiry date Issue No. Security code

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Date

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Please pay RSM2000 re The Jessie May Trust Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with RSM2000 re The Jessie May Trust and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my bank/building society.

3 Gift Aid

Claiming Gift Aid on your donation means that £10 from you can be turned into £12.50 for Jessie May at no cost to you! So if you want your donation to go further. Tick here to Gift Aid it*

*We will claim Gift Aid on all donations made in the last four years and all donations in the future unless notified otherwise. NB To qualify for Gift Aid, what you pay in income tax or capital gains tax must be at least equal to the amount we will claim in the tax year. Thank you for your support of our work. The Jessie May Trust will hold and use data you provide for administrative purposes and to keep you informed of its fundraising and other activities.

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