

# ZOE'S PLACE

— BABY HOSPICE —



HELP US TO SUPPORT CHILDREN AND  
FAMILIES LIVE LIFE TO ITS FULLEST

# The '20 for 20' challenge



Supporting children to live fulfilled lives involves a lot of fun at Zoe's Place - which is why we put the **FUN** in **FUN**draising!

Could you join in the fun, and set yourself the challenge of doing our **'20 for 20' challenge?**

All you have to do is pick an activity or challenge you're comfortable with - and raise funds for our cause. Here are some ideas!

1. 20 laps of your local park
2. Bake 20 delicious cakes to sell
3. Do 20 star jumps, squats, sit-ups and pull-ups
4. Run or cycle 20 km
5. Do an activity as part of 20 friends to take on a unique challenge
6. Tip 20 tins of custard over your boss (with consent of course!)



Your participation means we could reach our fundraising target of £20,000 for our 20th year celebrations.

If you have one of your own '20 for 20' challenge ideas, we'd love to hear from you.



Call us on:

01642 457985

Email:

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@zoes-place.org.uk

# Two decades of care and support



This year, we are celebrating two decades of providing care for children with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions, by hosting an array of special events!

Our flagship event is our upcoming Anniversary Ball on 1st November at Wynyard Hall, complete with live entertainment, a delicious 3 course meal, and lots of additional surprises! It's the perfect opportunity to celebrate in style for an end of year work-do or a special family occasion. Whatever the reason, it'll be a night to remember, and all for a great cause!

In the upcoming months, we'll also be hosting a special Golf Day, Corporate Challenge, our annual It's a Knockout fun day, and much, much more. These are great opportunities for workplaces and friends to spend quality time together, and have some fun - which is always important to everyone at Zoe's Place.

Our Executive Trustee Joan Stainsby has a message to all our supporters:

“We have some fabulous ways to celebrate 20 years of Zoe's in Middlesbrough and all the hard work we have done to get to where we are today.”

“Back in 2004, we were only able to offer very limited care to a small number of families and children - we could only open a few days per week - however thanks to the generosity of our supporters we now offer that care and support for up to 6 children every 12 hours.

That's testament to the tremendous support we have had from our local communities, businesses, and individuals - who have all donated generously from the very beginning.”

“If you could come along to our ball - or any of our other events throughout the year - we would really appreciate your support. Let's make 2024 a year to remember.”



# Caring for children now and in the future



For 20 years, Zoe's Place in Middlesbrough has been caring for babies and young children with life-limiting, life-threatening or complex conditions.

Our nurse-led teams expertly deliver individualised, tailored care to children and their families across Teesside and beyond; helping them to live life to its fullest.



As a registered charity, we are proud that all of our care is free of charge to our families. It is thanks to our community of supporters that we are able to offer our services to all who need it.

We work to ensure that very unwell children can enjoy the best possible quality of life and we support their families throughout their journey.

We offer respite, palliative and end of life care for children, as well as support for the whole family. With a range of play therapies and fun activities, our team of specialists work together to make every moment of childhood count.

Our vision is to ensure that every baby and young child, living in our region, has access to specialist short break support, palliative and end of life care for another 20 years and beyond, which is why we would really appreciate your support.



## A word from Head of Fundraising Harriet Langston

"I have been blown away by the generosity of our supporters since joining the organisation, the impact that your donations have on the children and families we care for is incredible.

Let's make our 20th anniversary year outstanding."



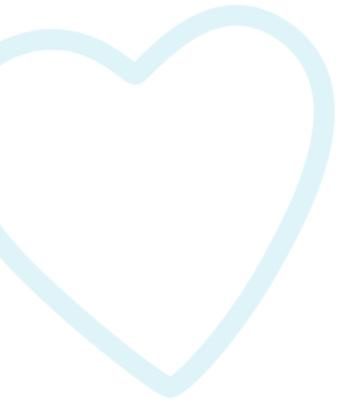
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# How your money helps

## Service provision

We can accommodate up to six babies or children at any one time. Our facilities are available for the whole family if needed. The main aim is to provide specialist nursing care for each child whilst simultaneously providing much needed respite for parents and carers.

A referral to Zoe's Place can be made by a family member or a health care professional involved in the care of the child.



## Activities and therapies

At Zoe's Place, we focus on engaging children in a spectrum of stimulating activities. This includes painting, reading, singing, dancing, and more, offering a diverse range of experiences.

Our nursing team also arrange outings to parks and local attractions, enriching their time with varied adventures beyond the hospice walls.

We offer tailor-made therapies involving art, music, play and delightful interactions with animals too! These experiences open doors for children to discover new passions, bringing remarkable improvements to their well-being.

These moments are treasured by the children so by donating, you make a significant contribution to their happiness at Zoe's Place.

## Philosophy of care

We are a registered charity and our care is completely free of charge to all families using our services - all thanks to your donations!

Babies and children come to Zoe's Place to live life to the fullest. We are a life-line to the families we support.

## Bereavement support

Our bereavement suite offers a private and comfortable space in which parents can begin to come to terms with the loss of their child - should this happen.

This represents the saddest side of our work but it continues to be an invaluable facility in the most difficult of circumstances.

Our staff will support families to access recommended help or counselling at this time.

Our bereavement groups also aim to bring together families who have experienced loss, offering understanding and compassion in a supportive environment. Again, your money helps us to facilitate these services.

**Find details of all of our services at**  
**[www.zoes-place.org.uk](http://www.zoes-place.org.uk)**

# More ways to show your support



As well as our '20 for 20' challenge, there are lots of other activities you can get involved in to help us to raise funds for our 20th anniversary.

If you're the active type, you're going to love some of the challenges we have in store...



## Join us on a Sunrise trek to Scafell Pike or Mount Snowdon!



Yes, you heard that right. We are going to be braving the heights for a trek up to 2 of the largest summits in the UK. If you would like to set yourself a challenge, experience incredible views AND raise funds for Zoe's Place, register today!



Scafell Pike: 9th June, Scafell National Park, England

Snowdon: 7th July, Snowdonia - Wales

## Go wild at our 'It's a Knockout' event

Get ready to clamber over obstacles, trudge through the human washing machine and experience some insane team challenges! This incredible showcase event will push you to your limits and test your teamwork skills. Are you ready for it?



29th June, 10am, Redcar Athletic FC



## 'Putt' the effort in at our Golf Day

Golf enthusiasts... grab your clubs! This one's for you. We kick off this amazing event with bacon rolls on arrival followed by 18 holes of golf with great on-course competitions and a sumptuous 2 course dinner. There's also an auction, raffle and prize-giving ceremony.

9th May, 11am, Wynyard Golf Club



## Gear up for the Great North Run!

We are always looking for individuals to represent and raise funds for us at the Great North Run, so if you have a place already, we would love to hear from you. Alternatively, if you would like one of our places, get in touch.

8th September, 8am, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne



## Additional running challenges

Last year we had individuals running for Zoe's Place in the Middlesbrough 10k, Redcar 10k, Yorkshire Half Marathon, Leeds Half Marathon and even the Berlin Marathon! Please get in touch if you would like to represent our charity in any of these events - or others you may be interested in.

Throughout 2024



## Set yourself a challenge

If none of the above takes your fancy, then why not set yourself a challenge? How about a sponsored indoor cycling challenge from home? Or maybe a walk along some local scenic routes?

Whatever the challenge, we would love to hear from you, just get in touch with our team.

Email: [hellomiddlesbrough@zoes-place.org.uk](mailto:hellomiddlesbrough@zoes-place.org.uk)

Call: 01642 457985



# Get your school involved



We are always looking for schools across the region to get involved with fundraising activities and in our 20th year we'd like even more participants.

Here's some great ways children can get involved...



## Dress up for Zoe's Place

A very simple fundraising idea. Simply dress up in fun costumes, or have a non-uniform day, then raise funds for our hospice. Halloween, World Book Day and Christmas are also ideal themes for an alternative dress up too!

## Host a teddy bears picnic

Yummy cakes, delicious snacks and lots of sweeties!  
Have we got your attention yet? Great...  
because we would love you to host your very own school picnic or special lunch to raise funds. It's a really simple idea that's fun and engaging. You can even use some of the items in this pack to make it Zoe's Place themed!



## The sweetie tube challenge!

A really simple fundraiser that children can participate in right throughout the school term. Fill up Smartie tubes for our charity. You could even hand out a prize for the biggest fundraiser. If you're feeling really competitive, you could make it a larger crisp tube!



# Word search



Time for a brain teaser. Can you find all the hidden words?

U Y C E T I P S E R  
L W E G H J B R E D  
D C N X T R B A B C  
U R P J T R N E P J  
F Y V I T D L B C F  
T D H O S P I C E O  
D L K S E I B A B E  
F U N D R A I S E R  
C E N E R D L I H C  
V R E E T N U L O V

1. hospice 2. bear 3. babies

4. respite 5. fundraiser 6. children

7. volunteer



# Make a mascot mask!

Become our mascot! Cut out the bears head, mount on to card and tie each end with string.



# Get the bunting out!



Decorate your office, community centre, school, house or shop and let everyone know you support Zoe's Place!

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# Chloe's story

## Meet Chloe, a remarkable young girl whose journey with us began 14 years ago!

Back in 2010, Chloe's early days were marked by the challenges of epilepsy and vision impairment. Yet from the very beginning, her spirit shone brightly, and she was always a determined little girl.

To commemorate our Middlesbrough hospice's 20th Anniversary, Chloe and her family were invited back to the hospice for the grand unveiling of our new play park - an event which seen them participate in a piece from BBC look North.

During their visit, Chloe's mum Kim and her dad Ben shared their heartfelt gratitude for the support they received during their daughter's time with us.

"Zoe's Place came for us at exactly the right time." said Kim.

"We were only alerted to the fact that respite services existed when Chloe was a few months old. A nurse who worked at a hospital in Newcastle made a referral to Zoe's Place for us, and we lived locally, so it was ideal."

"Despite our initial doubts, the team welcomed us with open arms, easing our worries and making us feel comfortable - which allowed us to get the respite we needed."



For Chloe's family, Zoe's Place wasn't just a haven - it was a lifeline. With our expert care services and nurturing environment, they found time to relax amidst from the challenges they faced, allowing them to recharge and regroup. Chloe blossomed under the gentle guidance of our dedicated team, where she stayed for over 14 months.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of Chloe's journey is the upward trajectory it has set her on despite her conditions. With the care and support she received at our hospice, Chloe learnt new skills and grew as a person. Her path continues to have similar complications, but she's now an incredible teenager with a great personality.

She's also settled in mainstream education, and despite her ongoing issues, she is still as amazing as she was all those years ago. In dad Ben's eyes, Zoe's Place isn't just a local hospice - it's a family.

"We'll always remember the bonds we formed. On our recent visit it was amazing to see staff we knew from all those years ago as well. Especially Chloe's favourite nurse 'Mama Kaley'."

"It wasn't just about the care they provided - it's about the love they share, the memories they create, and the hope they inspire, and we'll never forget what they did for us."

Chloe's heartwarming journey serves as a poignant reminder of the impact Zoe's Place has on people like Kim, Ben and Chloe, and given that it's our 20th Anniversary this year, we hope that we can create more memories like this for the next 20 years - and beyond!



# 20th Anniversary Ball

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE TWO DECADES  
OF OUR MIDDLESBROUGH HOSPICE

1ST  
NOV  
2024

WYNYARD HALL, 7PM ARRIVAL  
MIDNIGHT CARRIAGES  
TICKETS: £80 (INDIVIDUAL)  
£750 (TABLE OF 10)

WITH HOST  
GARY  
PHILIPSON  
(BBC TEES)

LIVE MUSIC  
FROM  
VINTAGE  
SWING THING

SPECTACULAR  
MAGICIAN  
TOM DAWS

A DELICIOUS  
3 COURSE  
MEAL

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# I'm a Zoe's Place supporter



# Could you support us?

It costs over £1.5 million per year to keep our hospice open -  
could you support us?

However you choose to get involved, your support is invaluable to us and those we help. As government funding continues to decline, we rely on our community of fundraisers and volunteers who engage in various activities to help us cover the costs of all we do.

If you have a great fundraising idea, or you would like to participate in one of our event, there are several ways you can contact us:



Call and speak to our friendly team on 01642 457985. We are available Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm (Except Bank Holiday and national holidays)



Email: [hellomiddlesbrough@zoes-place.org.uk](mailto:hellomiddlesbrough@zoes-place.org.uk) and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. However if you would like a particular member of the team, please call the number above and ask to be directed.



Call in to the hospice Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. A representative from our fundraising team will be on hand to discuss your fundraising idea, or sign you up to the event you're interested in!



# Spread the word!

Follow us on social media

Search for Zoe's Place Baby hospice Middlesbrough



We'll have weekly updates from our hospice, information on our services, case studies, fundraising news, event news and lots more!

You can also visit our website: [www.zoes-place.org.uk](http://www.zoes-place.org.uk)



# Get in touch



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