

# Charity Report 2017-2018

During the year many charities approach us to support their needs. It is our policy to support charities that work with children, whenever we can. Our main fundraising comes from our "House Days". Each House this year chose a charity. The boys put forward and spoke to their peers and staff members about charities that they felt passionate about and the House voted on one they would like to support. They organised a fun day with activities and games at lunch time. Due to Kingswood House staff members going to visit and support the charity work in Lungi, Sierra Leone last Summer, we had a big drive on fund raising for them.

Last academic year we supported the following charities:

- 1) Great Ormond Street Hospital House: **NELSON**

**Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH) is an international centre of excellence in child healthcare.**

With their research partner, the UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health, we form the UK's only academic Biomedical Research Centre specialising in paediatrics.

Since its formation in 1852, the hospital has been dedicated to children's healthcare and to finding new and better ways to treat childhood illnesses.



- 2) Cancer Research House: **DRAKE** and **MARLBOROUGH**

**Cancer Research UK. Cancer Research UK is a cancer research and awareness charity in the United Kingdom and Isle of Man, formed on 4 February 2002 by the merger of The Cancer Research Campaign and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Its aim is to reduce the number of deaths from cancer.**



3) The Children's Trust

House: WELLINGTON

The **Children's** Trust is the UK's leading charity for **children** with brain injury; giving **children** with brain injury the opportunity to live the best life possible.



4) Lungi Sierra Leone Charity  
[www.lungisierraleone.org.uk](http://www.lungisierraleone.org.uk)



This charity was hit hard by the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone. Some staff died and many lost family members. Peter Brooks and Sally Witts went to Lungi in 2014, to visit the schools. Peter, Sally, Colin, Sam and Jane went to visit the town in May 2017. They helped with the charity by supporting their work in schools and developing the new medical centre.

The charity aims to advance education and training, relieve poverty and distress, and promote health within the Tintafor, Kamasondo, Benkeh district of Lungi.

Income in this rural area is minimal, around one dollar a day, and poverty extreme, with little effective medical care. One in five children die under the age of five years and few if any are vaccinated.

They have built a Primary School and Pre-School for 500 children! We have sent classroom furniture, books, supplies and money.

Although education is privately funded in Sierra Leone, this particular school takes children whose families are unable to pay for their education.

Their motto is 'May Every Child Know Love'

### Monies raised during the academic year 2017-2018

<b>Charity</b>	<b>Money Raised</b>
Cancer Research	£626.55 £435.19 (From Drake and Marlborough House Days)
The Children's Trust	£484.21 (From Wellington House Day)
Lungi: Sierra Leone	£239.95 £100 £210.02 £46.62
Great Ormond Street Hospital	£931.35 (Other fund raising) £316.00 (From Nelson House Day)
Poppy Appeal	????

Aside from fund raising this year we also:

- Collected and donated many books, raincoats and clothes to take over to the children at the school in Sierra Leone.
- Collected food donations to give to the Leatherhead Shelter at Harvest time.
- Collected toys and games at Christmas to donate to the Alternative's Trust.

As you can see, we are a small school but in many ways we make an amazing difference to the lives of hundreds of people at home and abroad.

It has been a privilege to compile this report.

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