



Chernobyl Children Life Line

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Summer 2009 visit - not long to go!

Preparations are well underway for our next group of young visitors coming to Sheffield on 13th July. Once again we are bringing 16 children for one month & also 2 children on a repeat visit. We've got lots of activities planned such as picnics, swimming, and visits to a fire station, the seaside, and steam trains. This year, for the first time, we've also included a short residential stay at Whiteley Woods Outdoor Activity Centre. As always, we arrange for the children to have check-ups at the dentist and opticians. We know from experience that their teeth will be in poor condition due to the very sugary foods and drinks they consume at home. We hope to send them home with a better idea of how to look after their teeth.

We have a mix of new and experienced families hosting and supporting this year. Some families remain involved year after year whilst others choose to have a break for a year or so before hosting or supporting again. If this is something you are considering then we have plenty of families who would be willing to talk to you – please contact one of us and we'll put you in touch with someone.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR HOST AND SUPPORT FAMILIES

Don't forget we have a final meeting lined up, at Beauchief Baptist Church at 7.30pm on Thursday 9 July.

It is essential that all host and support families attend. We will discuss the final details for the visit in full. Please let Mick Ring know if you are unable to attend by email at chair.sheffield@ccll.org.uk or on 07973 850488.

WINTER VISIT

We are already planning our next visit for February 2010 and are looking for both host and support families - if you think you may like to get involved with this visit then please do get in touch for some more information.

Contact Mick Ring by email at chair.sheffield@ccll.org.uk or on 07973 850488.



CLOTHES NEEDED

We are still collecting new or good quality second-hand clothes for our visitors. We have 5 boys and 11 girls between the ages of 9 and 13 coming over. We need both summer clothes for the duration of the visit and winter clothes to take home. No second-hand underwear please, but good winter coats and shoes are welcome. We can use clothes outside this age range too for the children to take home to brothers and sisters. If you have any to pass on please get in touch with either Annemarie Johnston at kamdaz@blueyonder.co.uk or Julia Kenny at stevekenny39@blueyonder.co.uk.



To help children suffering from the after effects of the Chernobyl disaster and economic situation

MAILING LIST

Know anyone else who may be interested in the work of Chernobyl Children Life Line? We can add them to our mailing list so they receive regular newsletters and updates. Please pass names and addresses, or email addresses, to Helen Moore at secretary.sheffield@ccll.org.uk or on **07958 346783**. If you would like your details removing from the list let Helen know too.

NEW LINK LEAFLET

We have a new version of the leaflet introducing the work of the Sheffield Link. If you would like copies for any fundraising events you're planning or to hand out to friends and family please ask anyone listed in the newsletter.



Dates for your diary...

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| 27 th June | Sheffield Green Fair, craft stall. |
| 5 th July | Car treasure hunt, starting a Beauchief Baptist Church and ending with a barbeque. |
| 5 th September | Supermarket collection - Asda, Handsworth |
| 26 th September | Bag packing at Somerfield, Ecclesall Road.
Volunteers are always needed for supermarket collections |
| 17 th October | Supermarket collection - Asda, Handsworth |



Thankyou!

Thanks must go to everyone who has supported us over the last few months and helped to boost our funds, including:

Swanwick Methodist Church members and friends have raised over £3500 with various events.

Collections on Fargate and at Sainsburys, Tesco and Morrisons have raised over £2000.

Several schools have supported us including St Patrick's RC Primary School, Bradfield Dungworth School and St Anselm's at Bakewell. Children at St Patrick's did lots of activities during Lent last year to sponsor the visit of two children.

The Peace in the Park event last June raised £1000 and the Fellowship Theatre Company gave a generous donation.

We continued to sell crafts at various events including the Kelham Island Victorian Christmas Market.

The quizzes run by Rob Moore are as popular as ever and we thank Beauchief Baptist Church for their continued support.

We continue to be indebted to many other personal donors and local organisations who support us on a regular basis.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can support Chernobyl Children Life Line on a regular basis through direct debit giving. Interested in finding out more? Contact Elaine Ferguson on **07929 720977** or by email at treasurer.sheffield@ccll.org.uk

