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### Welcome

This issue's welcome is from Kim Wrigley, who has been a Hospice Trustee since April last year. Kim who retired from the NHS in 2020, has almost 40 years' experience in the health sector, and has worked at a strategic level on palliative and end-of-life care programmes across Greater Manchester. In addition to being a Trustee, Kim, also supports Dr Kershaw's Bank Scheme as a Health Care Assistant so can often be seen helping and caring for patients on our In-Patient Unit...

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to everyone who took the time to attend our Rose to Remember Open Garden Day at the beginning of July. It was our first event at the Hospice since the start of the pandemic and it was so lovely to have you all back here, in our new gardens. We hope you agree that it was a day to remember. The event, as well as your special Rose to Remember dedications, brought in much-needed funds that will provide vital care for our patients across the whole community. We can't thank you enough for your support!

> Unfortunately, we didn't manage to secure enough teams to hold our Golf Day in May, so we have relaunched our event for September and we hope more people can take part. If you are interested or know someone who might be there is more information on page 15.

The first week of June saw the Hospice celebrating the Jubilee and it was lovely to see staff, patients and families alike taking part. The week also marked National Volunteers' Week and we took to our social media channels to celebrate and thank our incredible team of volunteers who support our Hospice every day. Dr Kershaw's just couldn't run as it does without our volunteers, so thank you to each and every one of them.

We hope you are all having a lovely Summer and look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events, as always thank you for your ongoing support. You are at the heart of everything we do!

Kim Wrigley - Trustee

# Celebrating International Nurses Day

With Thursday 12th May marking International Nurses Day, Dr Kershaw's celebrated our incredible team of nurses, recognising all that they do to support and care for patients and their loved ones, with a heartfelt thank you along with a special goody bag each and a sweet treat of an ice cream too...



Senior Sister, Kelly Foster said: "Over the last few years we have worked through the most difficult times in our nursing careers, but we have adapted to new ways of working, developed our services and opened our fantastic new In-Patient Unit. It's been tough but we've done it together. We have a fabulous team who are strong, passionate and dedicated and I am so proud to be a part of it. On behalf of the Senior Nursing Team we would like to thank our fantastic nurses for their continued hard work and compassionate care that they deliver to every patient, making such a difference to everyone they meet!"



To continue to support Dr Kershaw's, our patients and the work our incredible Nursing Team do, visit www.drkh.org.uk/donate

# I Can't Thank the Hospice Enough for Caring for My Dad and Sister

# My Sister, Liz

In December 2018, Chrissy Orson and her family received the devastating news that her sister Liz O'Donnell had bile duct cancer. Liz began chemotherapy, recovering initially but then the cancer sadly returned. Unfortunately, Liz's health deteriorated and our Hospice at Home and Caring Hands teams cared for her, supporting her husband, and their four children, in the comfort of their own home. On 8th February 2021, Liz sadly passed away at the age of just 47 surrounded by her family. Just after Liz's funeral, her dad, Brian, aged 78 was diagnosed with a tumour in his spine. Despite Chrissy's worst fears of losing her father too, she found comfort in knowing that her dad would receive the same amazing care from Dr Kershaw's that her sister, Liz, had received only a few short months ago. This is Chrissy's moving story about her experience of hospice care and how our Hospice helped her and her family...

"My sister married Chris, a Community Hub Leader, over 23 years ago and together they had four beautiful children; James (21), Catherine (19), Emilie (15) and Andrew (12). Liz worked as a Learning Support Manager at the Holy Cross College, Bury, since 2004, and had also been a School Governor with a passion for supporting students, many with physical and learning needs.

My sister was an amazing lady, with a lovely laugh, she was loved by so many. She loved taking her dog for a walk, camping holidays with the family and although she never considered herself to be a runner, she participated twice in the Oldham Hilly Half Marathon. For over 30 years, Liz helped to organise trips to Lourdes which were ran by her church, St. Edwards RC Church in Lees.

What Liz really appreciated was the way the team made her feel just like a 'normal' person despite her situation.



As part of my wedding preparations, Liz came with me to shop for bridesmaid dresses, during which she became very tired. She booked a doctor's appointment and was sent for tests, where a tumour was discovered in her bile duct. Immediately, Liz was taken into hospital for a high-risk procedure with only a 50 / 50 chance of survival. Thankfully all went well and Liz returned home where she belonged, starting chemotherapy. Liz even managed to attend my wedding, which we were both thrilled about, as it had looked doubtful for a while.

# Patient Story

against Cancer,' a charity that was specific for people suffering with cancer to promote their

physical well-being. Before she died, Liz raised

£6,000, part of which helped to set up the '5K Your Way' Oldham branch. Liz was thrilled that

'Furnish with Love – Give the Gift of Comfort' Appeal to provide furniture in the Hospice's family lounge for future patients and families to spend precious time together in. Liz's final act of

£5,160 of her fundraising supported Dr Kershaw's

generosity was to have all the donations made at

her funeral to go to the Hospice."

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The teams cared for Liz in such a way that they were not intrusive to our family, supporting us too.

Liz did recover initially, but in August 2020, we received the devastating news that her cancer had returned. Her health deteriorated and by January 2021, all treatment was withdrawn at which time she came under the care of Dr Kershaw's Hospice at Home Team and later, Caring Hands. The teams cared for Liz in such a way that they were not intrusive to our family. They supported us too, especially Liz's children, who never felt like they had to leave her side whilst her care was being provided.

What Liz really appreciated was the way the team made her feel just like a 'normal' person despite her situation and she formed a close bond with them. They kept her fully informed of the care they would be providing at all times and Liz thought the staff were wonderful.

Following her diagnosis, Liz was determined to raise funds for Dr Kershaw's who had supported her so much, as well as '5K Your Way: Move



Liz, Chrissy's Sister **>** 

# My Dad, Brian

"Dad was a widower, after his wife who he had met at a local amateur dramatics group, died in 2009 of breast cancer. They had three daughters and six grandchildren; four of Liz's children and two of mine.

Dad was known as Mr. Social and loved spending time with his family and friends. He enjoyed going on holiday, classing Tenerife as his second home and he also visited Australia on a couple of occasions. Dad ran a family owned Plumbers' Merchants business, and before he became unwell he was very active, enjoying daily walks and lived independently, doing all his own shopping and driving.

Since 1966, assisted by family members including Liz, he had organised trips to Lourdes and he was heavily involved in the Catenian Association, a Roman Catholic lay society, of which he was a member. He assisted in all aspects of the Church, giving out books to parishioners, driving the priest to visit people to give them their last rites, even driving people who needed transport to go shopping or attend appointments.

After my sister, Liz's funeral, dad was sadly diagnosed with a tumour in his spine. At the time of Liz's funeral we were unaware, but he did have pain, meaning he had to attend in a wheelchair. As a result of his spinal condition, dad was partially paralysed, and was treated in hospital, with the team suggesting for him to go into 24-hour residential care but dad wanted to be treated at home, around family.

On his release home, we were delighted to hear that dad would be under the care of Caring Hands and Hospice at Home who had provided

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such wonderful care to my sister, Liz, as well as supporting our family.

Dad was frightened, but his fears were alleviated by the Caring Hands Team visiting him four times a day. We can't praise Caring Hands enough for the way they treated dad, maintaining his dignity at all times. When he had difficulty eating they would manage to coax him to eat; much to our relief. They would change their times to attend to him in line with his wishes and were always very sociable and so kind with him. They were wonderful and Dad really bonded with the team and enjoyed their company.

The Hospice at Home Team's support was invaluable, their reassuring presence at all times was a great comfort.

As his condition deteriorated the Hospice at Home Team were brought in. We found their support invaluable, assisting members of the family on how to handle certain medications and even explaining what to do with certain documentation, their reassuring presence at all times was a great comfort.

When dad sadly passed away just six weeks after Liz, the team allowed his sister, Pat, to assist with the washing of his body and changing his clothes, which meant a great deal to her. She was visiting from Ireland, and it was so important to her to be able to assist in this way. As with Liz, all donations at dad's funeral went to support Dr Kershaw's, who have supported our family so much.

We are so grateful to Dr Kershaw's and can't thank the Hospice enough for the way they supported my sister, dad, and our entire family, enabling them both to be cared for in their own homes, and for us to be able to spend precious time with each of them."



Chrissy's Dad and Chrissy on her Wedding Day >

Chrissy's Sister, Liz and Dad, Brian

To provide support and care for more patients and families like Liz, Brian, and Chrissy visit: www.drkh.org.uk/donate or contact the Hospice's Fundraising Team on 0161 624 9984

# Rose to Remember Open Garden Day Highlights

Sunday 3rd July saw Dr Kershaw's invite the local community to our Hospice for our Rose to Remember Open Garden Day. The event gave those who had made a Rose to Remember dedication in memory of a loved one, the opportunity to view their rose plaque in our stunning new Hospice gardens, as well as taking part in the festivities of the day which included performances from Dr Kershaw's Hospice Choir, Co-op cream teas in Café K, and many Dr Kershaw's stalls to visit. Taking place on a wonderful, sunny Summer's day, the event was the first time since the start of the pandemic that the community had been invited back to the Hospice and, with the kind support from those who made a dedication and attended the event, we are thrilled to have raised an incredible £8,500 which will enable us to provide care for the people of Oldham when they need our help the most. Check out some of our highlights from the day below...

Thank you to everyone who supported the Appeal and attended our event, as well as our volunteers, Dr Kershaw's Krafties, Dr Kershaw's Hospice Choir, the Co-op, Booths Garden Centre and Park Cakes!



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It was a lovely day. Thanks to all those who made it possible!

Hospice supporter

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The roses were beautiful and the gardens too! It was lovely to see so many people turn out to support the Hospice! Hospice supporter

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To view more photos from the Rose to Remember Open Garden Day, like and follow our Facebook page: @drkershawshospice

# Celebrating National Volunteers' Week

With 1st – 7th June marking National Volunteers' Week, we took to our social media channels to share messages of appreciation from our Hospice Team who rely heavily on the support of volunteers. National Volunteers' Week celebrates the contribution of millions across the UK who give up their time to volunteer at organisations who need their support like Dr Kershaw's....

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# I just want to say thank you so much to all our volunteers, your loyalty and dedication is just amazing!

Alison Taylor, Hospice Retail Area Manager

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our volunteer supporters. We absolutely couldn't do it without you, from our volunteers in the shops, those who support on our In-Patient Unit and even those who support behind the scenes in the offices. Your dedication has such an impact and it all goes towards providing the best patient care possible. Thank you!

Nikki Butterworth & Leanne Gurney, Hospice Volunteer Team

As Volunteers' Week draws to a close, I do hope you have had a sense of how your contributions are valued and appreciated throughout the whole of the Hospice community. We truly could not provide the services that we do without your help!

Joanne Sloan, Hospice Chief Executive



If you have a skill that could support Dr Kershaw's or if you want to find out more about volunteering at the Hospice, contact our Volunteering Team on 0161 624 2727 or volunteerdept@drkh.org.uk

# We Couldn't Do It Without You!

Thank you to all our fantastic supporters for their amazing fundraising...

Nine year old Lillie-Grace Welden walked 100 laps around the island on her street, thinking all the time of her grandad Colin, donating £576 to help to care for people like him in the future.



Millie Haley was determined to complete 50 miles in a month as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award raising £311.25.



Children from St Anne's CE Primary Royton, St Chad's CE Primary Uppermill and The Village Day Nursery Lees, were hopping, skipping and jumping for joy to take part in Dr Kershaw's Bunny Hop, all having a fun and physical time wearing their bright yellow bunny ears. Thanks to the wonderful kindness and generosity of families, friends and staff an incredible **£6,574** was raised.





Royton based Mick Bowskill's Walking Group, with our very own Health Care Assistant, Tracey De Blasio, stepped out in style to move more and make a difference too by raising an amazing £630.

Setting herself the challenge of walking 310,000 steps, Megan Cassells completed the equivalent of 6 marathons or 154 miles in a month to raise £345.



Putting the Snow in Snowdon, members of Royton Cricket Club were bowled over to reach the summit, despite some seriously unseasonal wintry weather, raising £738.75.



Talented musician Jessica Thorpe presented a series of three solo viola concerts in London, Glasgow and here in her home town, in memory of her late grandad, Bill Lomas, whose story was told by Jessica's grandma in our last newsletter, raising £900.





Kath Leacy's Exercise Group is, post pandemic, back together and once again having fun, keeping fit and faithfully supporting hospice care with their recent donation of £500.

Sienna Palombo saved her pocket money to donate £5 in memory of her very special great grandad, Charles 'Roy' Taylor, Oldham's famous Secret Santa to say thank you for the care he received.



The amazing Benidorm or Bust team of Joanne, Tracey, Lisa and Louise, made it through all the obstacles to safely reach their destination just over seven days later. They, and their faithful bright pink Skoda,

were in fine form to announce their fundraising total had reached **£14,000** to be donated equally between Dr Kershaw's and Willow Wood Hospices.

A charity football match, organised by Stuart Newton at Mossley AFC, in memory of his mum Ethel, was one where everyone was a winner raising **£1,250** for their special cause.





To mark his 60th birthday, John Stigwood met his challenge to row 60km in around 6 hours at his local gym raising a wonderful £494.88.

For more information on fundraising for Dr Kershaw's Hospice, contact our Community Fundraising Team on 0161 624 9984 or fundraising@drkh.org.uk

### Taking on the Great Manchester Run for Our Hospice

The Great Manchester Run returned on Sunday 22nd May with a stronger team than ever putting their best foot forward for Dr Kershaw's Hospice. Congratulations to all our fabulous supporters who in their half marathons and 10Ks ran their socks off. Thank you every one of you!



The 18 strong CH Medical Practice Team pushed themselves out of their comfort zone with many running for the first time or not having run for years, all trying to achieve their personal goals for a great cause and raising £3,776.



Erin Bocking ran 2.5K in the Junior GM Run choosing Dr Kershaw's after the Hospice had previously helped family members and friends, and raising £924 so the Hospice can continue to help other families.



Dr Kershaw's is a cause that means a lot to Lorraine Leonard and she finished her 10K with a huge smile and a hug from her daughter, raising £476.

Dr Kershaw's Health Care Assistant, Jenny Brierley ran her 10K, together with friend Vicky Whittaker, excited and proud to have the chance to say thank you for the care given to her brother Mark, raising £650.



It was a family affair for the Jolly Joggers with Garry McDonald and Tracey, Rob and Chris Squibbs all running to say thank you for the care and love given to mum Pat McDonald, raising £2,838 to ensure the same dedicated end-of-life care is available to others.



Watch this space for the next national running event where we will be signing up Dr Kershaw's runners, to find out more contact our Community Fundraising Team on 0161 624 9984 or fundraising@drkh.org.uk

# Relaunch of Our First Ever Golf Day – The Dr Kershaw's Cup

We have relaunched our Golf Day - The Dr Kershaw's Cup for a later September date after the original May event unfortunately didn't see enough teams sign up. This brand new event will enable golf enthusiasts to enjoy an action packed day of golf (18 holes), promising to be a day to remember, as well as generating vital funds that will make a real difference to so many patients and families in your local community...



We made the decision to relaunch our Golf Day to enable teams to have more time to sign up, and so the event can run to its full potential. We hope that the event offers an alternative way for people to support their local hospice. We are looking forward to the day and hope to see as many teams as possible taking part, all with the chance of lifting the first ever Dr Kershaw's Cup!

Joanne Sloan, Hospice Chief Executive

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To sign up or to find out more about our Golf Day, visit www.drkh.org.uk/golfday or contact our Fundraising Team on 0161 624 9984 or fundraising@drkh.org.uk

## Ascot Ladies Day at The White Hart Inn Raises Over £3,000

On Thursday 16th June, The White Hart Inn at Lydgate was host once more to the Ascot Ladies Day event in aid of Dr Kershaw's. The event run by Hospice supporter, Gill Bussey, started 17 years ago and was the 15th Ascot fundraising event to be held after the two year Covid break...



The event with 70 ladies in attendance, raised over  $\pounds$ ,3000 to support patients at the Hospice, and was an action-packed day with welcome drinks, a meal, guessing the Royal's outfit colour, a prize for the best hat followed by afternoon tea and live streaming of the Ascot races with a bookmaker present to take bets.

Organiser Gill said: "I started the event 17 years ago with the wife of Dr Kevin Moore who worked at the Hospice and it just grew and grew. This year's event took place on a beautiful, sunny day, it was only the third time we've had a sunny day. It was fantastic, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day, and we see people attending year after year which is so lovely. We had less people attending this year, so I'm thrilled we raised over £3,000 for the Hospice, as I had hoped for £1,000 so what was raised was so wonderful!"

Thank you to Gill for all her hard work with the Ascot event and for her continued support each year!



### 60 Seconds with... End-of-Life Nurse Educator, Sarah Longmore





Sarah has been working at the Hospice for almost 18 months, and supports our dedicated Nursing Team by ensuring they have access to the latest clinical and hospice care training to enable them to provide outstanding care for our patients...

#### Why did you apply to work at Dr Kershaw's?

My mum and dad live just around the corner, and I've always thought it would be a lovely place to work. Before I had my children, I worked unsociable hours on the Intensive Care Unit. I wanted to move to a role in education and training and this role was perfect for me, even offering part-time hours to support my family life too!

#### Give us an overview of your role?

I am responsible for the education and training, primarily of the Clinical Team at the Hospice, but also support with the mandatory training of all Hospice staff. Within my role, I highlight ways to develop and improve practice, providing management and training on less routinely used clinical skills to embed confidence within the team. For example, I often support nurses who are new to the Hospice by making sure they are familiar with medication management and the syringe driver for patients.

#### What are the challenges of your role?

Clinical practices are always developing so we are continually developing our training for the Clinical Team. Also, when training is taking place it often highlights another training need which can be a snowball effect, meaning more training is required.

#### What are the rewards of your role?

Having the opportunity to improve practice and patient care, as well as supporting the team to develop personally and professionally and seeing the sense of achievement amongst the team once they have completed their training successfully. It's a lovely thing to be a part of!

# What is your favourite thing about working at the Hospice?

The variation, every day is different. My job gives me the opportunity to be creative and to have a key role in developing hospice care and building skills within the incredible team that we have at Dr Kershaw's.

We have a number of different clinical and non-clinical roles at the Hospice. If you would like to work in a caring environment, check out our latest vacancies: www.drkh.org.uk/jobs

### **Supporting Dying Matters Awareness Week 2022**

'Are you in a good place to die?' was this year's theme for Dying Matters Week in May, run by Hospice UK. Dr Kershaw's supported the national campaign sharing key points for people to consider, from planning your funeral, making a Will, to looking at your digital footprint, and thinking about your Advanced Care Plan. Hospice staff also came together to share with the community why they have made a Will, as well as what is important for them to accomplish before they die.



#### Former Hospice Duo Visit Incredible New In-Patient Unit



Vice Chair of the Hospice's Board of Trustees, Dr Cook, Gordon and Vernon

Dr Kershaw's were thrilled to welcome former Chair of the Board of Trustees, Vernon Cressey, and Founding Member of the Hospice Appeal Steering Group, Gordon Maxwell, for a tour around our new In-Patient Unit which has had a huge transformation since the days when they were an integral part of the Hospice.

Gordon said: "The new In-Patient Unit is wonderful, it is so different, advanced, and patient friendly. Special thanks to those who raised the money and contributed to its development – we have come a long way!"

Vernon who was hugely instrumental in the development and planning of the new In-Patient Unit added: "I am truly amazed; it is marvellous what has been achieved. Thank you to all those involved and credit to those who funded the development, and to all the staff for seeing the project through. It is a marvellous asset to the community of Oldham, and I am very proud to be associated with Dr Kershaw's Hospice!"

#### Fundraiser, Alan Receives British Empire Medal at Queen's Garden Party

Oldham B&Q worker, Alan Wrigley has been collecting funds for over 20 years for local charities, and with over £175,000 raised in total, Alan was invited to Buckingham Palace to receive the British Empire Medal at the Queen's Garden Party. Alan chose

Dr Kershaw's as one of his local charities after the team cared for his son before he sadly passed away, and has collected over £12,000 for our Hospice.

Joanne Sloan, Hospice Chief Executive said: "Alan does an incredible job fundraising for our Hospice and other charities, what an achievement for him to have received this medal, we are incredibly proud of him and truly grateful for everything he has done to support our Hospice."

### Martin's Epic 100 Mile Challenge Raises £4,000 for Ten Greater Manchester Hospices

Dad of two, Martin Foster, recently completed an epic challenge running 100 miles over four days visiting ten local hospices including Dr Kershaw's to raise awareness and vital funds.

Martin works as programme lead for GM Hospices, and his job means he is all too aware of the invaluable role hospices play in caring for patients at the end of their lives.

#### He said: "Hospices rely heavily on their communities fundraising, and having worked so closely with them I just had to put my trainers on and do my bit to support them. The money raised will support the care of patients and families in all corners of Greater Manchester; there's no greater motivation than that!"







Celebrating the Jubilee

Our team came together to celebrate the Jubilee, with staff donning the nation's colours, putting decorations up in the Hospice and in our shops, along with making homemade themed cupcakes and hosting a special Jubilee party for patients and their families...

We were also thrilled that five special individuals, all with Hospice connections were selected to be part of the 70-strong torchbearing team at the event in Oldham.

Hospice Chief Executive, Joanne Sloan, Fundraisers, Keira Arnold and Mick Bowskill and Hospice Volunteers, Thomas Penketh and Andrew Shillito were each chosen to be torchbearers at the prestigious procession.

Creating special memories for patients is key for us, the Jubilee has been such a big celebration across the country that we wanted our patients to feel part of it despite not being at home with their families.

Kelly Foster, Senior Sister

"I felt really proud to be an Oldhamer and very grateful to have been nominated and recognised for my contribution for the work that myself and the Hospice have done within the community."

Joanne Sloan, Hospice Chief Executive

I felt really honoured to have been chosen to be a torchbearer for the Platinum Jubilee. The evening was great with a fantastic procession and made me very proud of Oldham.

Keira Arnold, Hospice Fundraiser

### **Hospice Receives Grant from The Albert Hunt Trust**

Dr Kershaw's recently secured a huge £20,000 grant from The Albert Hunt Trust to support our domiciliary care team- Caring Hands. The funding will provide two vehicles, to afford our staff with the necessary resources required to care for patients in their own homes, supporting the expansion of shift patterns and the notable increase in demand for our services.

Megan Riley, Hospice Trust, Foundations & Government Coordinator said: "A success always makes my day but this project has a special place in my heart, as my grandma received end-of-life care from the Caring Hands Team, so to secure such a large grant for the Team was an amazing achievement for me. We are so grateful to The Albert Hunt Trust for their continued support of Dr Kershaw's and enabling us to enhance our service provision within the community"



Lead Nurse for Clinical Services, Lindsey Harper with Megan

### Kasguma Health Welfare Trust Donation to Support Local Community



Hospice Team receiving the £2,000 Cheque from the Kasguma Health Welfare Trust

Oldham based, Kasguma Health Welfare Trust, whose key focus is to provide free medical care to the community of Kasguma, Azad Kashmir, recently selected Dr Kershaw's as a local charity to support, with a generous donation of £2,000.

Chairman, Mohammed Mustafa said: "Most of our work is focused on supporting the community of Kasguma, but our local community in Oldham need our help too. Caring for people well at the end of their lives is important to us in our religion. We hope to help Dr Kershaw's again in the future."

Chair of Oldham's Clinical Commissioning Group, Majid Hussain added: "We are really grateful to the Kasguma Health Welfare Trust for recognising the good work of Dr Kershaw's with their generous donation."

# **Hospice Shop Revamp**

We are in the process of revamping our Hospice shops and our Royton shop is the first to be completed! Our aim is to refresh each of our stores and adapt a boutique style, which we hope you will like!

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This is such an exciting development for Dr Kershaw's. I cannot wait to see the finished look in all of our stores! Joanne Sloan, Hospice Chief Executive

#### THE FURNITURE HUB Giving furniture a second chance - RE-CYCLE, RE-STORE, RE-SELLI

#### Furniture Hub Facebook Page Hits 1,000 Likes

After the recent launch of our Furniture Hub's Facebook page, we were delighted to have hit an incredible **1,000 likes**! Our page includes daily posts showcasing the amazing pieces in store at affordable prices with each purchase supporting our Hospice and patients across the community.

Mike McArdle, Furniture Hub Store Manager said: "We are thrilled that so many people are liking and following our page. We get new stock every day and want to showcase the quality of our stock to the community. Thanks to everyone for their support on Facebook and to those who have bought or donated furniture. Our next goal: 2,000 likes!"

To check out our latest stock, like and follow us on Facebook: **@FurnitureHubDrKH** 

To find your local Dr Kershaw's Hospice shop visit www.drkh.org.uk/shop-us/charity-shops Thank you to all our supporters for their continuous contributions, we are truly grateful. Your support for our Summer Draw raised £10,659, which will make a huge difference to our patients and their families at a time when they need us the most! This was our first ticketless draw and we had a mixed response to the change with ticket sales down by 42% on the previous year, although we appreciate there are other factors to consider at this moment in time.

Unfortunately, as we all face tougher times and an increase in fuel bills, many of our supporters have had to tighten their belts, and since Covid hit we have lost over 3,500 Weekly Lottery Members. £1 doesn't get you very much these days, but playing our Weekly Lottery could win you one of six cash prizes, including our Weekly Jackpot Prize of £1,000! 89p of your £1 goes direct to patient care enabling us to provide care and support, free of charge, to those loved ones living with a life limiting illness.

Prizes are posted automatically to our weekly winners so don't worry about checking your Lottery numbers, if you are the lucky £1,000 prize winner, we call you to let you know your cheque is on the way, so if you have moved house please contact us to update your details. The winning numbers are also available on our website and our Facebook page if you prefer to check them yourself.

If you are interested in investing  $\pounds 1$  a week and joining our Weekly Lottery, please visit www.drkh.org.uk/lottery. Alternatively give our Lottery Team a call, we'll be happy to help and maybe you will be receiving our winner's call on Friday!

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation, purchased raffle tickets, for every Facebook post you have shared and of course our loyal Lottery members, some of you dating back to October 2003! Your continued support makes a real difference!

#### The Lottery Team





#### **Lottery Gift Vouchers**



A gift that keeps on giving! Stuck for that special gift? No idea what to buy? How about a Dr Kershaw's Lottery Gift Voucher, a unique gift with the chance to win our jackpot prize of  $\pounds$ 1,000. Our vouchers come in a presentation wallet and start from as little as  $\pounds$ 10. You can purchase a gift voucher on our website or by contacting the Lottery Team.

#### **Scratch Cards**

Our Hospice scratch cards priced at just £1 are a fantastic way of supporting the Hospice whilst giving you the opportunity to win a cash prize! They are available to purchase from our Hospice reception or any of our Hospice shops, they also make great wedding favours! Call our team for more information.



Contact our Lottery Team Tel: 0161 624 9213 Email: lottery@drkh.org.uk Website: www.drkh.org.uk/lottery



# MAKE A WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Throughout November, selected solicitors are offering to help you write your Will, giving their expertise completely free of charge, asking instead that you make a difference towards patient care.

> To find a participating solicitor or to find out more visit www.drkh.org.uk/WillMonth or call our Fundraising Team on 0161 624 9984.

### Shops Directory

#### **Lees Hospice Shop**

99 High Street, Lees, Oldham, OL4 4LY Tel: 0161 628 7100 Mon – Sat, 9.30am – 4.30pm

Shaw Hospice Shop 50-52 Market Street, Shaw, Oldham, OL2 8NH Tel: 01706 290973 Mon – Sat, 9.30am – 4.30pm

#### **Royton Hospice Shop**

Unit 14 Market Square, Royton, Oldham, OL2 5QD Tel: 0161 652 8707 Mon – Sat, 9.30am – 4.30pm

To buy new and used furniture and for all furniture and small electrical item donations please visit our new furniture store or contact the store on the details below:

#### **The Furniture Hub**

Neo House, Shaw Road Oldham, OL1 4AW Tel: 0161 510 0102 Facebook: @FurnitureHubDrKH Email: furniture@drkh.org.uk Mon – Sat, 9am – 5pm

### **Contact Details**

For general enquiries, patient information, volunteering, Friends of the Hospice: Tel: 0161 624 2727 Fax: 0161 628 0181

> Well-Being Centre: 0161 785 5625 Macmillan Nurses: 0161 778 5918 24 Hour Advice Line: 0161 785 5635 Fundraising Office: 0161 624 9984 fundraising@drkh.org.uk Lottery Office: 0161 624 9213 lottery@drkh.org.uk

#### **Dr Kershaw's Hospice**

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