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SOUTHSIDE FAMILY ENCOURAGE FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO RAISE OVER £8,000 FOR LOCAL HOSPICE.

The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice have received two very welcome late Christmas presents thanks to the support of a Netherlee family who have been raising funds in memory of their much loved husband and dad, Brian Connelly, who passed away in the Hospice last year.

Last week, Our Lady of the Missions Primary School, which is attended by Brian's youngest son Matthew, passed on cheque for an outstanding total of £4,000 raised by staff and pupils through a variety of fundraising activities during the season of Advent. Head teacher Charlie Jamieson said:

"We offer this donation as our way of recognising and thanking the Hospice staff for their dedication and wonderful support to families and friends associated with our school."

Meanwhile, funds are still coming in from Brian's wife Jane, son Greg and a group of 15 of their friends who completed the postponed Glasgow Santa Dash at the end of last month. When the event was delayed due to the bad weather before Christmas, our Santas weren't put off and joined 3,000 others to 'dash' the 5k route around Glasgow City Centre on Sunday 23rd January, raising over £1,000 as they did so.

All of this fundraising is in addition to £2,000 already raised by the family at the end of last year.

Myra Grant, fundraiser at the Hospice said:

"We are absolutely delighted with such generous donations and would like to extend our sincere thanks to all those who have contributed. The donations will be added to Mr Connelly's Tribute Fund, a positive and simple way for family and friends to remember a loved one and in their name help The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice continue to provide care and support for patients and families in the south side of Glasgow."

Picture caption 1: The "Santas" visiting the Hospice after the race for a well earned cuppa!

Notes to Editor

About The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice

The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice, situated on the river Clyde in Glasgow, exists to help our patients achieve the best quality of life possible in whatever time remains for them by providing care and support for patients, their families, children and carers. All care is free of charge with annual running costs for the hospice will reach £4 million this year of which £2.6 million must come from fundraising and voluntary donations.

About Tribute Funds

A Tribute Fund is a positive and simple way for family and friends to remember a loved one and in their name help The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice continue to care. By setting up a Tribute Fund in his or her name, it creates a lasting way to remember someone special.

The fund can provide family, friends and colleagues with an avenue to journal and share thoughts, feelings and memories of a loved one. Once a Tribute Fund is set up, anyone can support it in any way they choose. Some might like to make a donation on a special occasion such as a birthday or anniversary. Others may wish to organise fundraising events or activities such as parties, coffee mornings or quizzes, or take part in a physical challenge such as a running event.

All money raised through The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice Tribute Funds contributes to our annual voluntary donations.

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