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Jack & Jill News



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Red carpet not red tape

We continue to call on Minister Reilly and the HSE to increase the supports for our 300 families nationwide. As our nurses Sinead Moran and Caroline Thomas said (again!) at the Joint Oireachtas Committee for Health and Children recently, "the HSE should be rolling out the red carpet, not the red tape for our families, particularly for medical cards."

As we look to 2014, the ring fencing of a national paediatric homecare budget makes sense financially, medically and morally. We have a model at Jack & Jill that works in terms of quality and cost effectiveness, where the money really does follow the patient and has kept 1,700 children at home since 1997. Let that be the Pilot and a New Year's resolution for the HSE.

We start 2014 with €2.7 million to raise and thank you for your continued support. Watch out for "Up the Hill for Jack & Jill", prompted by John O'Sullivan in Kenmare, where families and friends are asked to host their own local Up the Hill for Jack & Jill, raising €16 per person, to fund 1 hour of home nursing care for a sick child in your community. Every little helps!

Jonathan Irwin FFPAED(Hon)



On Friday 11th October, Jonathan was made an honorary fellow of the Faculty of Paediatrics, with the letters FFPAED(Hon) after his name to prove it! Accompanied by his wife Senator Mary Ann O'Brien at the Royal College of Physicians, Jonathan's evening began with his gowning. He then received his certificate from the Dean of the Faculty, Hilary Hoey and all enjoyed a black tie dinner, after which Jonathan gave a speech. We are all very, very proud of him and delighted with this recognition from the medical profession.

Christmas Cards

Little Ones Appeal



It is that time of the year again where Jack & Jill runs our Little Ones Appeal. We are asking you to support participating restaurants, where diners are asked to donate €1 per table bill to the Jack & Jill Foundation during the months of November and December. Perhaps you can also persuade your favourite restaurant to sign up, as it's never too late. For Little Ones Appeal restaurants nationwide see www.jackandjill.ie and thanks to

Paolo Tullio for supporting us. Bon appétit!



Only €6
per pack of
12

To order or for more information logon to
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Recycling—Schools

Jack & Jill is pleased to announce that we are recommending our phone recycling campaign with schools and sports clubs but we need your help to spread the word locally please.

We have partnered with the recycling company Swapkit to recycle old phones through schools for Jack & Jill. Not only will this recycling campaign help your school to get their Green Flag but we also have a number of different items that the schools can attain using mobile phones as their 'currency', items such as iPads, defibrillators, laptops, visualisers, etc. We would ask you to speak to your local School Principals and ask them to consider participating in Jack & Jill's Mobile Phone Appeal. All they have to do is encourage their pupils to bring in old mobile phones. Swapkit will provide the school with a collection pack. Then, when they have the required amount of mobile phones collected they can exchange them for a piece of equipment for the school. Everyone wins! For more information logon to www.jackandjill.ie

Please note that we are looking for volunteers to tell the Jack & Jill story to their local school. Please contact us at info@jackandjill.ie if you could help Jack & Jill in this way.

Save the date



Jack & Jill Golf Classic will take place in Mount Juliet on Friday 23rd May 2014



WITHOUT JACK AND JILL BRIGID FLANAGAN AND OTHER PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH SEVERE BRAIN DAMAGE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO CARE FOR THEIR CHILD AT HOME. HELP US HELP HER. PLEASE DONATE TODAY.

TEXT "WE CARE" TO 50300 TO DONATE €4 NOW

Watch Brigid's story at www.jackandjill.ie



100% of your €4 donation will go to The Jack and Jill Children's Foundation. Licence No. 01-443399



Enter one of our two very different raffles:

1. Have your chance to win a living room makeover from well renowned interior designer Anne Marie Hamill.
2. Win our Limousin Heifer 'Black Betty'.

Tickets are €10 each or 6 for €50 from Jack & Jill 045 894538
Tickets can also be bought online at www.jackandjill.ie

Jack & Jill Shop



In September 2013 Jack & Jill officially opened the Jack and Jill charity shop in Newbridge Co. Kildare. The shop is selling high quality new and nearly new fashions as well as books, shoes, handbags etc. As we completely rely on the generosity of the public and the sales are going very well, **we welcome all donations** of new or nearly new clothes, bags, books or other items.

Why not drop by and bag a bargain? For opening hours and directions logon to www.jackandjill.ie

Dubai Derby Ball Ideal Christmas Gift



We are delighted to announce that we have been selected as the beneficiary charity for the 2014 Dubai Duty Free Derby Ball. This Glittering Black Tie Event taking place on 27th June in the KClub promises to be a night to remember. Why not purchase two tickets as a Christmas present for someone special?

Tickets cost €125 each and are available from Jack & Jill 045 894538.



Galway Cycle Cheque Presentation



On September 22nd, The Maynooth Students for Charity presented a whopping €151,000 to Jack & Jill which they raised through the Galway cycle. The event was a masterpiece in operation. Despite torrential wind and rain on the weekend of the Cycle, they managed to raise a phenomenal amount of funds. As a thank you to the students for the huge work put into this event in aid of Jack & Jill, the Foundation presented the College with one of the beautiful eggs from the Big Egg Hunt Dublin 2013. The Egg now resides on the University Campus in the new Library.

Ashgrove Auction



An Antiques Roadshow Valuation Day in aid of Jack & Jill will be held on December 7th in Ashgrove Auction House, Naas. It will

run from 2pm to 5pm with valuations costing €5 each or three for €10. Auctioneer Sean Eacrett (as seen and heard on RTE's The Dealers, Antiques Road Trip & Radio 1's Pat Kenny Show), acclaimed antiques expert George Stacpoole, President of The Irish Antique Dealers Association, PJ Tynan, Kevin Chellar and others will inform people about their most treasured and unusual possessions of all shapes and sizes. This will be followed by a fundraising auction of items donated to the Foundation. Lots of interesting bargains to be had!!

Toby on Tour

A big thank you to Toymaster who ran their Toby campaign in aid of Jack & Jill recently. Lots of people visited their local Toymaster store to purchase this cute, beanie puppy called Toby for just €3 with all proceeds going to Jack & Jill. Miriam O'Callaghan along with Jack & Jill's Patron Eddie Hobbs aided by Ava Grant (8) and her brother Sam (3) launched the campaign and we had lots of fun on Facebook sharing 'Toby on Tour' pictures and stories. Hopefully, this is the first of many campaigns with our friends in Toymaster.



Chapter One lunch



On September 30th, Ross Lewis and his team at Chapter One, hosted a lunch in aid of Jack & Jill. The wine and food was kindly sponsored by Chapter One's suppliers and Tom Doorley managed the raffle. Overall it was a wonderful event with a great time had by all. The lunch raised over €20,000. Our thanks to Chapter One, Tom Doorley, Searsons, Tipperary Water, Findlaters and the many sponsors of the raffle items and of course the people who lunch!

Thank You

A Big Thank You to all those who supported Jack & Jill in 2013. We are sad to be saying 'Goodbye' to some of our Corporate supporters at the end of this year. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with them and many friendships have been formed. Without this kind of support, we couldn't continue to offer our service to the 300 families currently under our wing nationwide. If you work in or know of a company/organisation that might like to support Jack & Jill in 2014 please let us know.

Kilkenny Cycle



A "wheelie" big thank you to the 84 participants who took to their bikes for our 2nd Kilkenny Cycle on 14th September. With old and new friends joining the team on a glorious sunny day, a great day of fun, banter and friendly competition was enjoyed by all before settling down to some well deserved R&R at the Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny.



Marathons



Zurich Staff at Great Ireland Run in Phoenix Park



Jack & Jill Go Up The Hill 2013

A big 'Thank you' to everyone who took part in the **various marathons, fun runs, and walks nationwide** in aid of Jack & Jill. Your support is greatly appreciated and will make a big difference to the lives of very sick babies. If you haven't already returned your cards please do so for audit purposes, whether or not the card has been completed.

If you are feeling energetic and motivated in the New year, why not sign up for one of the many nationwide marathons in 2014 and run, walk, skip or dance your way to raising funds for Jack & Jill. Logon to our website www.jackandjill.ie for a list of some of the runs and marathons and contact us for your free t shirt and sponsorship card. With less than 18% of our funding coming from the Government we need your help to continue to care for the 300 children currently under our wing nationwide!



Please send us your Dublin Bus refund tickets Split 50/50 with Temple St.

Shop supporting Jack & Jill



Go shopping with a Jack & Jill cotton carrier bag and/or a Jack and Jill trolley token key ring - a bargain at €2 each.

Available online at www.jackandjill.ie

Save the Date



Jack & Jill Horse Show Ball in Four Seasons Hotel on Saturday August 9th 2014

WEDDING FAVOURS



Wedding favours that truly are a gift - why not make a donation to Jack & Jill in lieu of wedding favours? Every €16 donated funds 1 hour of home nursing care.



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Money raised locally stays locally

County	2012 Total County Cost	Current cases	Cases since 1997	County	2012 Total County Cost	Current cases	Cases since 1997
Carlow	€24,178	2	27	Louth	€32,672	6	45
Cavan	€10,944	3	28	Mayo	€33,690	10	69
Clare	€32,660	6	45	Meath	€71,760	12	70
Cork	€107,787	29	194	Monaghan	€9,968	3	23
Donegal	€24,592	7	35	Offaly	€26,048	3	24
Galway	€57,610	22	107	Roscommon	€23,840	4	21
Kerry	€56,632	10	44	Sligo	€14,864	6	21
Kildare	€59,138	11	92	Tipperary	€40,799	8	41
Kilkenny	€18,032	6	35	Waterford	€51,968	12	58
Laois	€68,114	7	31	Westmeath	€29,904	4	36
Leitrim	€4,832	2	9	Wexford	€105,020	16	87
Limerick	€49,608	19	84	Wicklow	€39,004	7	36
Longford	€16,768	2	14	Dublin	€284,118	56	423

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