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Jack & Jill News



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December 2011

Update from Jack & Jill

First and foremost, I want to wish all of our children, families, carers, nurses, corporate partners, schools, volunteers, donors, board members, patrons, friends a very happy Christmas. This is such a busy time between Santa and shopping lists, friends to meet and parties galore, but for some of our families the isolation factor is all the more obvious when caring for a sick child seems tougher than ever. To anyone who is feeling a bit lonely and down today, I want you to remember that you always have a friend in Jack & Jill, someone to pop in for a tea and a chat and someone to laugh and cry with you when you need it most. Just please don't expect us to eat mince pies on every visit! If you need a little cheering up please imagine our patron Eddie Hobbs dressed as Santa's helper Elf and then turn to page 3.

Our family fundraisers this year have been storming along and it's those small regular donations that keep us going. Thank you most sincerely.

We've got 12 ways, in fact more, to donate to Jack & Jill over Christmas and I would ask everyone to please spread the word over Christmas and into the New Year. Maybe our €25 Christmas Voucher is a good stocking filler for family and friends and those professional portraits are forever.

I wish I had better news for you on Government funding, but I don't. Yes, we get lovely pats on the back and win local and even global awards for the work we do, but still no 50/50 funding from the HSE. Ever the optimists, we will persevere and we know that eventually the penny or should I say the euro will drop with the powers that be and they will see Jack & Jill for what it is – a solid investment and a vital community based service.

Meantime, we've just got to be more and more creative and practical about our fundraising and we need more volunteers around the country to help out with our 2012 campaigns and to be the local voice for Jack & Jill along with our carers and nurses. When you think about it we may be a small Irish charity, but we've a big reach between our families past and present 1,450, the 2,000 plus schools collecting mobile phones and computer games on our behalf, our growing list of corporate partners and the 1,000 plus carers and nurses in every community in Ireland.

We may be heading into 2012 with a shortfall in our budget, but we've certainly no shortfall in goodwill and generosity.

Happy New Year. **Jonathan Irwin, CEO**

Jonathan Irwin named Global Fundraiser of the Year 2011



Jonathan Irwin, CEO and founder of the Jack & Jill Children's Foundation, was named Global Fundraiser of the Year at a Resource Alliance ceremony in Noordwijkerhout (outside Amsterdam) on the 19th of October 2011. Jonathan, who was voted Irish Fundraiser of the Year in June of this year, was nominated for this prestigious global award by Fundraising Ireland. The Judges commented "This is an outstanding example of a passionate response backed up with the vision to make a big and sustained impact. With commitment, strategic planning and innovation, Jonathan has grown his organisation, taking it from strength to strength with his pioneering approach to fundraising" What an achievement for a small Irish charity on a global stage!!

Twelve ways to help Jack & Jill this Christmas

The Jack & Jill calendar is back.

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The Jack & Jill calendar is back. Linda Ryan and her friends Liz & Ruth with the help of some fabulous models and the expertise of IPPA photographer Richie Gavin have produced a beautiful 2012 calendar. The Calendar which costs €10 is available from the Jack & Jill Office on 045 894538. It will make a beautiful gift so please get the word out to all your friends and families as the total proceeds from the sale of this calendar will keep 4 Jack & Jill babies warm and cosy at home for 1 year.

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Fiver a month campaign

Sign up to our 'fiver a month' campaign and help us reach our target of €750,000
Download the form from our website www.jackandjill.ie or sign up through mycharity.ie

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Donate the price of a pint to sick children across Ireland

Text PINT to 57034
and you'll be helping kids who really need it.

So when you're next enjoying a pint, take the time to send the text, then sit back and savour the taste that comes from knowing you've made a difference.

www.jackandjill.ie

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

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TEXT your County to 57034
Eg. Text KILDARE to 57034
And €4.50 will be donated to helping children in your County
Text cost €5 each

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Jack & Jill Land Raffle



Raffle for a prime 1 acre site of land in Lusk, Co. Dublin (zoned agri) Tickets cost €10 each or a book of 6 for €50. Details on www.jackandjill.ie

Jack & Jill Flowers

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www.jackandjillflowers.ie

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Send in a cash donation



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Jack & Jill Christmas Cards



Only €6
per pack of 10

Why not order your Christmas Cards direct from Jack & Jill?

Order by cheque through the post, or over the phone using credit card or laser.

All profits go directly to helping Jack & Jill care for the 270 babies currently under our wing.

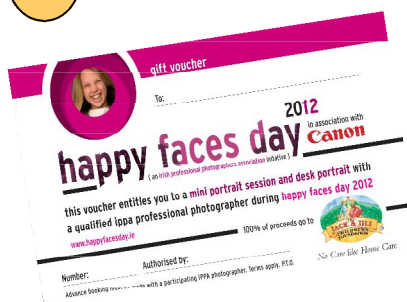
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250 phones = 1 month's nursing care for one baby

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Christmas Voucher that makes everyone smile



For Christmas we are now launching our Happy Faces Day voucher which costs €25. The voucher entitles the bearer to an individual mini portrait session and a desk portrait during Happy Faces Day 2012 with 100% of the €25 going to Jack & Jill. Canon will also be including a cash back discount on Canon cameras purchased between now and

Christmas with the vouchers. To purchase your voucher contact the Jack & Jill office on 045 894538. For more details on the campaign, please logon to www.happyfacesday.ie or www.jackandjill.ie

Happy Faces Day is a campaign run by the Irish Professional Photographers Association in association with Canon. Each year, the IPPA have harnessed the goodwill and the photographic skills of its members for the benefit of Irish charities, and they have selected Jack & Jill as their charity of the year for 2012.

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Daisy



Be in with a chance to win "Daisy", a gorgeous year and a half old Red Limousin Heifer (draw to take place in March 2012). Tickets €10 each on sale from the Jack & Jill office on 045 894538

Money
raised
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County	Annual County Cost	Current cases	Cases since 1997	County	Annual County Cost	Current cases	Cases since 1997
Carlow	€27,648	6	26	Louth	€64,896	10	42
Cavan	€19,104	4	25	Mayo	€37,248	7	59
Clare	€29,376	6	36	Meath	€83,136	12	63
Cork	€113,472	31	164	Monaghan	€19,488	3	21
Donegal	€17,280	4	24	Offaly	€24,000	4	20
Galway	€57,696	14	92	Roscommon	€18,816	3	17
Kerry	€69,504	10	37	Sligo	€9,216	3	15
Kildare	€69,696	14	84	Tipperary	€23,736	6	35
Kilkenny	€16,032	5	31	Waterford	€76,416	13	48
Laois	€77,664	10	25	Westmeath	€23,808	4	32
Leitrim	€3,072	1	8	Wexford	€109,344	17	71
Limerick	€53,280	12	69	Wicklow	€46,752	6	31
Longford	€25,344	5	14	Dublin	€297,696	59	368

Nationwide



1. Jonathan Irwin, Eddie Hobbs & Rose Martin launch IPPA Happy Faces Day 2012, 2. Celtic band An Deardaoín raise funds for Jack & Jill, 3. Jack Brady Moriarty with Raheny Under 9's Football team, 4. Mizen to Malin Cycle, 5. McInerney Saunders Waxing Day, 6. Jack & Jill at the Ploughing Championships, 7. McGloins Gala in Foxford present funds to Edelle Monahan from their Karting Day



The Shamrock Fund Launch

Founders of the Jack and Jill Children's Foundation Jonathan Irwin and his wife Senator Mary Ann O'Brien recently visited New York City to tell the story of Jack & Jill and to launch The Shamrock Fund on Monday the 24th of October. The Shamrock Fund is an appeal to the Irish Diaspora in the US to help the Jack & Jill Children's Foundation to continue to care for the 270 babies currently under it's wing in every county in Ireland.

The Official launch of the Shamrock Fund took place at Lily O'Brien's Chocolate Cafe in Manhattan.



'Thank You' to all our Corporate Supporters



A Big Thank to all the Corporates who have supported Jack & Jill this year. The Staff of a number of large corporations supported by their employers have given up their precious time to fundraise for Jack & Jill throughout 2011 while other corporate have donated their services. Jack & Jill are most grateful for all the support!

Santa's Magical Trail

Make a trip to Santa's Magical Trail in the Clanard Court, Athy, Visit Santa and see the elves, join in the magic with some of the proceeds going to Jack & Jill www.jackandjill.ie



Wishing all our Jack & Jill babies and their families the Happiest Christmas possible!



Alicia	Keeleigh	Cian	Israr	Eileen	Emily	Lorcan	Séan	Aidan	Connor	Jason	Sarah Mary	Annabelle
Myles	Daniel	Grace	Lily Rose	Brody	Elizabeth	Christian	Luke	Oisín	Kate	Ava	Amy	Ella
Ellie	Erin	J.J.	Shania	Moya	Fionn	Conor	Kyle	Rian	Ryan	Alana	Mark	Taylor
Harry	Ciara	Jordan	Richard	Hannah	Olivia	Claire	Harry	Alex	Katherina	Hailey Beth	Myles	Dade
Lily	Liam	John	Victoria	Brigid	Lotti	Phillip	Zara	Robert	Tom	David	Jacob	Abigail
Darragh	Joshua	Katelyn	Lauren	Lola Starr	Lee	Jake	Freya	Chloe	Aoibhín	Sean	Patrick	John
Anna	Lucy	Mary	Kevin	Roxyanna	Evan	Merissa	Tara	Lochlann	Aoileann	Stephanie	Declan	Cathal
Mary Kate	Roisin	Aanu	Keelan	Nathan	Issac	Jenna	Alan	Oscar	Molly	Adam	Eva	Noor
Ella	Gobnait	Dara	Zion	Tony	Beau	Deobra	Killian	Sadhbh	Aoibheann	Alison	Charlie	Tommy
Aimee	Megan	Gretta	Isabelle	John Paul	Noah	Martin	Eoin	Seersha	Stephen	Allen	Reece	Ethan
Jack	Lauren	Alicja	James	Jai	Jessica	Emma	Tomas	Giedrius	Maya	Kayla	Alice	Jayden
Gavin	Willie	Morgan	David	Rachael	Sophie	Zuzanna	Natalyia	Marcus	James Wil- liam	Fatima	Dylan	Orla
Cristoír	Sarah	Josephine	Cassie	Alizay	Mateusz	Ruby	Athal	Taylor	Rocco	Isabella	Miley	Brianna
Emiligh	Aela	Tsiyon	Saheer	Annie	Rose	George	Jamie	Tanishka	Pavle	Rose	Carly	Jonathan
Sam	Katie	Michael	Harvey	Paige	Saoirse	Rowan	Taha	Cillian	Julia	Niamh	Oran	Lena
Jakub	Ben	Mirella	Alannah	Philip	Addison	Mairead	Benjamin	Tadhg	Korina	Oliver	Shannon	Finbarr
Faye	Aaron	Nicholas Patrick	Holly	Tyler	Sophia	Skye Hope	Charlotte	Adrian	Enda	Aoibhinn		