



The Mount Camphill Community



The Mount Camphill Community Ltd,
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Fundraising News

Dear Supporters, Trusts, Foundations, Friends, Families and Mount Community,

I hope this latest edition of our fundraising newsletter finds you well. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very happy and peaceful Christmas, and to share some of our fundraising news.



Outdoor Trim Trail equipment latest

Earlier in the year we launched our fundraising appeal to raise money for some outdoor, mostly wooden, equipment to have in the grounds at The Mount. We are very grateful to have received some generous donations including some successful grant applications totalling £15,746 taking us 45% of the way there. We are aiming to raise £35,000 in total for a variety of apparatus.

To learn more about the appeal, our movement sessions, keeping fit and the need for this, and to make a donation please use the following

link: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/outdoortrimtrail>.

Please do share this information with your family, friends and colleagues and help us reach our target.



These are examples of the sort of equipment we would like to buy.

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Our recent November Quiz Night

Do you know how many noses a slug has? What are the five colours of the Olympic rings? And what is the slowest moving creature? (see answers below!). A few of the taxing questions put to the twelve tables of quizzers in Wadhurst's Commemoration Hall. This was the second quiz night Cohousing have organised and what a fun evening it was, with the winning team called "Mission Implausible". Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to raise over £800 towards the Trim Trail appeal from the entrance fee and raffle.

We received a fantastic selection of prizes donated by: ***The Artful Grocers, Barnett's Books, Wadhurst Co-op, Petite France, Buy the Weigh, Sussex Country Gardener, Delicatus Fine Foods, Claudia Jenkins Ceramics, Nizels Health Club, The Greyhound Pub, The White Hart Pub and The Cellar Wine Bar.*** A huge thank you to all these local businesses for their generous support.

**** HOT OFF THE PRESS ****

Having raised £65,000 towards our Minibus appeal, we have now placed an order for exactly the right vehicle.

It should arrive in time for Christmas!

Pictures to be included in the next edition.

The Mako Foundation

We were delighted to welcome nine guests from Mako Trading to The Mount to experience life and work here recently. They immersed themselves fully and experienced a busy schedule joining the college and cohousing for a full volunteering day. Miles Hayward, Business Partner at Mako, said: "It was a day our graduates will never forget. They learned so much about working with The Mount's young adults with learning disabilities. It has been a real insight to spend this time at The Mount."

We look forward to forging a strong working relationship with The Mako Foundation and for them to support us with some fundraising work in the future.





Pond House outdoor space celebration

The completion of the boardwalk and landscaping work at Pond House was celebrated in October with a small thank you event for the major donors that supported these two projects, enabling the work to be carried out.

Friends of The Mount



Our main operating costs are met through government funding, but the personalised, enriched experiences we hope to offer our students and cohousers is only possible through the monies we receive from voluntary donations and fundraising. We are very lucky to be supported by our Friends of The Mount who give to us regularly – *thank you so much for making this ongoing commitment and enabling us to save up for much needed equipment in the college and cohousing.*

This year, we have been able to buy our outdoor wooden Pergola, a new bakery mixer and a range cooker for St John's house as part of their kitchen refurbishment.

If you are inspired, hearing about how our Friends support us, and would like to learn more, please take a look at our website www.mountcamphill.org. If you would like to sign up to become a regular donor, click on the automatic link on our Friends page.

As always, if you would like to hear more about any of our fundraising work or would like advice on how to organise your own fundraising event, see ideas on our website for what previous supporters have done, and please feel free to contact me vicky.hall@mountcamphill.org.

Thank you for your support this year. Wishing you and your family a very happy New Year!
Warmest wishes,

Vicky Hall
Fundraiser for The Mount

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please let me know and I will remove you from our mailing list.

Quiz answers:

A slug has four noses!

The Olympic rings are black, yellow, blue, red and green.

A sloth is the slowest creature.

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A few other things to let you know about: Simple ways to help

Current fundraising campaign on Just Giving and the link

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/outdoortrimtrail>.

Become a Friend of The Mount

We feel very supported as we now have over 30 Friends who give to us regularly – thank you to each and every one of you – you are making a huge difference to our life here.

You can give regular donations by becoming a Friend and it is with these regular donations we are able to save up for much needed equipment in the college and cohousing. Previously we have been able to buy the bakery oven, our hall chairs, the canteles, garden rotovator, the 24-metres long polytunnel, 2 covered market stalls more recently the Pergola.

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Easyfundraising is an easy way to donate to The Mount when you do your online shopping.

Follow these easy steps and support us at no cost to you.

1. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk.
2. Choose The Mount Camphill Community to support, then join for free.
3. Put in the retailer's name that you wish to shop with to check it is listed.
4. Start shopping – shop online as normal.
5. The Mount will receive free donations. Donation percentage varies from retailer to retailer.

Remember that you will always need to log in via www.easyfundraising.org.uk for this to work each time.

Gift Aid

As you may know, completing a Gift Aid form for donations you have made to The Mount, enables us to boost these by reclaiming 25p of tax on every £1 that we receive, at no cost to you! To be able to do this you need to be a UK taxpayer. Please let us know if you would like to receive a form to complete and we can send this to you.



Please keep us in mind, your help is so much appreciated!