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Fundraising News

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

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of The Mount to wish you all a wonderful festive period and a very happy and peaceful Christmas. Fundraising here continues with full strength, as we close another successful appeal and work on other exciting projects for the year ahead. I have pleasure in updating you on all our activities.



Outdoor Trim Trail Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Outdoor Trim Trail equipment appeal which is now closed! I am very happy to let you know that we have now reached our target of £35,000 to buy the variety of exercise equipment needed for our fitness circuit here at The Mount. We look forward to this being installed soon so we can make use of what will be a fantastic facility for all. We received many wonderful donations, including grants from Southover Manor Trust, The Lawson Trust,

Hermes Trust & Wadhurst Warriors, some very generous donations from individuals and fundraising activities run by our students and cohousers from their tuck shop, quiz nights, Café Mount, Family Days, Carol singing and our recent Stage in the Woods performance.

Recent Quiz Night

Our October quiz was excellent fun with over 100 people coming to join in and help us to raise £1276! We had some fantastic raffle prizes donated which raised over £600. Huge thanks to The Bell, Wadhurst Warriors, Barnetts Bookshop, La Petit France, Buy the Weigh, Jenkins Ceramics and Uplands Sports Centre for all the prizes. All the funds raised on the night were put towards the Trim Trail appeal.

College 3 Biography Retreat Campaign

In June 2026, six students along with five co-workers will embark on a five-day retreat, an annual tradition upheld at The Mount to celebrate the end of the students' third college year. This special time away in a holiday cottage, allows them to process their achievements, challenges, and aspirations in a supportive and reflective environment, marking a significant milestone in their education and personal development. It is a time for self-discovery and growth, as they look back on their experiences and prepare for what lies ahead. Their target is to raise £5,000 to fund the cost of the retreat. They will do this by



organising a variety of fundraising activities including a sponsored walk next year at Bewl Water in Wadhurst, when they will walk up to six miles around part of the reservoir. Every donation, whatever amount, will help provide these students with an unforgettable opportunity for reflection, connection and personal growth. It is a real social experience. Any support and encouragement you can give will mean the world to them! You can make a donation using this link: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/college3-2026biographyretreat>.

Become a Friend of The Mount

With our fully automated sign-up facility on our website this is very easy to do. It is from these regular donations that we are able to offer a richer, fuller life for all our young adults that come here. For more information please click on this link: [The Mount Camphill Community - Friends Of The Mount](#).

Something new for The Mount – Common Ground Theatre productions

Following the success of our first performance – Twelfth Night - at our newly commissioned outdoor stage at the end of September, we are delighted that Common Ground will come back next year to perform Hamlet, dates to be confirmed. This innovative theatre troupe will help us to raise funds towards improving and cultivating our space in the woods further.

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 once again for all your support.

Warmest wishes for the New Year ahead,



Vicky Hall

Fundraiser for The Mount

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A few things to let you know about and simple ways you can help us:

Become a Friend of The Mount

We feel very supported as we now have 42 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 our hall chairs, the garden rotovator, the 24 metres long polytunnel, 2 covered market stalls, the new bakery mixer and more recently the outdoor wooden pergola. The fundraising pages (*Friends of The Mount*) on our website www.mountcamphill.org, explain how you can sign up to be a regular donor to support young people at The Mount.

Easyfundraising is an easy way to donate to The Mount when you do 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 use the gift aid form on our fundraising pages (*How you can help*) on our website www.mountcamphill.org.



Our current fundraising appeal

- <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/college3-2026biographyretreat>

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