

Schools Newsletter



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Welcome to our first Schools newsletter of 2026.

This new year brings fresh opportunities to learn, achieve, and grow together as a school community. We look forward to building on our successes and working in partnership to support every student's journey.

Got an unwanted Christmas gift? We'd love it!

Did you receive a Christmas gift that wasn't quite right for you? Maybe it's brand new, unopened, and already hiding in a cupboard? We'd love to give it a second life!

The LOROS Fundraising Team is inviting schools, students, families, and staff to donate new, unwanted Christmas gifts that can be used as raffle and tombola prizes. These donations help us raise vital funds to support patients and families across our community.

From games and toys to toiletries, gift sets, books, and gadgets — every donation, big or small, truly helps.

Donations can be dropped directly to the LOROS Fundraising Team at the Hospice. If you have a large number of items that won't fit in a car, our drivers may be able to collect — just get in touch and we'll do our best to help.



Steve on the road

Our brilliant volunteer Steve has been busy packing his diary (and probably his sat nav!) as he heads back out on the road, visiting schools for assemblies and careers events.

His recent stop at Fullhurst Community College included a lovely Christmas dinner and some fantastic student performances — a tough gig, but someone had to do it! Next up, Steve will be heading to Ellesmere

College for their careers event before making a special stop at Greystoke Primary School, where he'll be launching an assembly with the one and only Lionel the mascot.

Where will Steve pop up next? Stay tuned to find out in our next newsletter!



Did you know it's nearly the one-year anniversary of our Baby Elephants? We would love to see how they are getting on now that they are settled into their new school homes. Why not send us a photo of your new addition and share how they've become part of your school community?

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REINDEER RUN

Over November and December, schools,



community groups and families came together to take part in our Reindeer Run, showing incredible enthusiasm, generosity, and community spirit. Together, you raised over £14,000 — a truly remarkable achievement that will make a real difference. We are immensely grateful to every school, young person, staff member, and supporter who took part and helped make this such a meaningful success.

Teachers, fancy taking on a new challenge for 2026?



Take on a skydive for charity and experience the thrill of freefalling at speeds of over 120mph — all while raising vital funds for LOROS Hospice care. Whether you're skydiving in memory of a loved one, pushing yourself to try something new, or simply chasing the thrill of a lifetime, this is an experience you'll never forget. loros.co.uk/jump

Shine a Light moment

This term our shine a light moment goes to Stokeswood Primary School. Just before Christmas, we were delighted to welcome a wonderful group of students from Stokeswood Primary School to the Hospice. The children brought smiles all around as they sang their hearts out with a fantastic selection of Christmas songs.



Want to nominate someone to have a shine a light moment in our next newsletter? It doesn't matter how big or small, we love to hear everything about our community supporters. Drop me an email — schools@loros.co.uk