

# MAYFACS Fundraising Pack



# You're A Superstar!



You're about to do something amazing.

The money you raise for MAYFACS will help us to make a difference in the local community of Mayfield & Five Ashes so that we can:

- Provide support and activities for all age groups
- Ensure more people have access to community transport to attend medical appointments and opportunities to connect with others at our groups and activities.
- Offer support within our community for those people living with Dementia, health issues and mobility difficulties.
- Provide friendship and support
- Create a feeling of community for everyone who lives in Myfield & Five Ashes.

Your fundraising will help to pay for these important local support services and will help us to develop further our resources and provision.

In this pack, you'll find inspiring stories, advice on how to tell the world about what you're doing, as well as all sorts of hints and tips that will make your fundraising enjoyable and successful. Thank you so much for joining us. Not only will you have lots fun, every penny you raise will help our wonderful Mayfield & Five Ashes community.





# What's Your Cup of Tea?

## What could you do to fundraise?



### What's your thing?

Maybe you love baking? Maybe you love swimming, running or dancing? Maybe you have a party trick?



Make a list of everything you can do. Think about everyday stuff like getting together with your friends and family, sports, challenges, walking to school or to work, playing your favourite game and the weird and wacky! Really let your imagination run wild! Put down anything you could do as a sponsored event or fundraising activity, to help you decide what to do.





# Fundraising Ideas

- Coffee & Cake Sale
- Fancy Dress Party
- March the month challenge - 10,000 steps a day
- Run the month challenge - 1 mile a day or 30 miles in a month.
- Squat Challenge - 100 squats a day for a month
- Raffle
- Murder Mystery Evening
- Quiz Night
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Board Game Marathon
- Darts Tournament
- Donate A Day's Wage
- Bag Packing Day
- Donations For Your Birthday instead of gifts
- Big Brunch
- Carol Singing
- Charity Headshave
- Create A MAYFACS Charity Calendar





# What? Where? When?



Once you've decided what you want to do to raise money for MAYFACS

Think about ...

- Where the best place would be for your fundraising.
- When will you would do it?
- Will it be a one off event or will it be taking place over a period of time?
- Would it would be better to hold an event on a weekend, so that more people can get involved?
- Before you pick a date be sure to check that other events aren't happening at the same time.
- How will you run/organise the event?
  
- Get others involved. Ask if your friends and family would like to help. Make a list of things that they could join in with, to help you make your fundraising as successful as possible. They could help with transport, for example, or with setting up a venue for a fundraising event.



# Spread The Word!



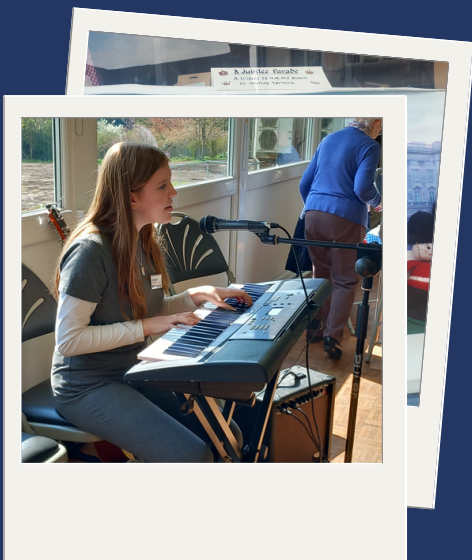
## Let everyone know why you're fundraising

It's really important that people know why and how you're raising money for MAYFACS:

Tell people about what you're doing

- Posters
- Email
- Facebook and Instagram
- MAYFACS website
- Online fundraising page (you can set one up at JustGiving, which provides an easy way to share updates with friends family and other supporters).

Taking photos is a brilliant way to let people know about what you're doing and celebrate your achievements. You can show people how things are going.



# Handy Tips & Information



Fundraising should be fun, but it's important that everything is safe and legal, for everyone involved.

## Permission

If you're holding an event in a public place, you must get permission first.

## Photos

If you take photos of people at your fundraiser, please make attendees aware and ask for permission if you wish to use the photos in the public domain.

## First Aid

If you're holding an event involving many people, make sure that you have appropriate first aid support in place. You can get advice from St John Ambulance.

## Under 18?

If you're aged under 18, you'll need to get permission from a parent or guardian to raise money for MAYFACS

[www.justgiving.com/mayfacs](http://www.justgiving.com/mayfacs)  
or scan the QR code



# You're Ready to get Started!



Thank you for taking the time to read this guide and starting to think about how you can help.

MAYFACS relies on the kind donations of individuals and fundraising as one of our sources of income. This money helps our charity to carry out its important work.

Here are some of the ways MAYFACS has been making a difference in the community of Mayfield & Five Ashes.



"Tea & chat is so good for her. She was getting old and frail and now look at her, mingling and chatting with everyone in the room. She's got her old spark back...."



"Little Munchkins is great! Rafe really enjoys it there. His confidence has grown and its nice he can interact with other children and adults. It's lovely the volunteers offer teas/coffees and biscuits. They are all really friendly and welcoming. Rafe and I enjoy coming every week."



"It's always a joy to enjoy the company of our fellow travellers and the attentive care of our MAYFACS drivers. Our visits and outings with MAYFACS are always delightful no matter how they vary from interesting visits to beautiful gardens, fish and chip lunch at the seaside or more elaborate adventures to Hever Castle or The Bluebell Railway."



"Well done. Mayfacs: the support your brilliant team and volunteers provide is simply fantastic. Thank you!"





# Matthew's Story...



When I told my family I'd got a place to run the London Marathon, my mum was probably the most surprised. She explicitly mentioned that I'd never even expressed interest in walking anywhere, let alone running. It was met with many variations of "why have you done that?" and "that's going to be a lot of effort". I'd played sport, yes, but the hard work and consistency required to complete a marathon is a whole different ball game. It's a personal challenge of course - something to tick off the bucket list, and to prove to myself that I can do it. But a marathon is not just a personal achievement. It's also a chance to raise money for great causes. It was an easy choice for me - why not choose something that I know inside out, and with which my mum is closely associated. What better way to prove to myself I can do it.

Mayfield and Five Ashes Community Services (MAYFACS) is a small, local charity in the village where I grew up. They provide essential services for the elderly and isolated in the village, organising trips out, weekly activities, or just providing a space for a cup of tea or a chat. Throughout the Covid lockdowns they provided key support for those most in need, and have become a popular centrepiece of the village. My mum was the very first project manager of MAYFACS, getting it up and running smoothly in 2016 and introducing many of the key services they still offer. Having done all that hard work, she is now enjoying her well-earned retirement by going on all the trips and activities she helped to set up. I'm starting to think the entire thing was a clever ploy so she would have things to do when she retired. Sly move mum, well done.

Like all charities, MAYFACS relies in part on donations from the generous public. This enables them to carry on providing their vital services to the village, encouraging socialisation for those in need and offering vital help for the most vulnerable in the community.

All the money I raise will help honour the years of effort that my mum, and the rest of the staff and volunteers of MAYFACS, have put in to making this charity a force for good in our little community.

(And also my effort, because running a marathon is hard work y'know)





# Money Raised Could Help...



**£25**

To support the running costs of our regular Tea & Chat groups, helping to combat isolation and loneliness.



**£50**

To cover the cost of a volunteer or staff training course to help and support isolated and vulnerable members of our community



**£100**

Could contribute to the running cost of our charity to enable MAYFACS to continue to Support The Community of Mayfield & Five Ashes

