

Friday 10th June 2022

Dear Caroline

Thank you for your email.

Many thanks indeed for your awesome donation of £3,694. News that this had been paid into our bank account came through to me yesterday. You must all be delighted that the Koala Sporting Bears raised this incredible amount at the Wallingford Vehicle Rally and Parade. It is wonderful that you continue to support us in this way. We are hugely grateful for your commitment and love for SeeSaw.

Like you over the past few years our capacity to fundraise has been interrupted by the pandemic with all planned events cancelled. It is encouraging to see a return to some of the community and challenge events.

You asked how the money might be spent so I thought I'd share a bit of background information and where SeeSaw is now with you. Each year SeeSaw supports around 440 children. Currently our clinical team is busy supporting bereaved children and their families, many of whom were bereaved during the pandemic and have been waiting patiently for face-to-face support. Our team of volunteer support workers provide much of this in person support. We have recently completed a 6-month training programme for 10 new volunteer support workers, bringing our total to 20. Their training started online during the pandemic, and towards the end we brought them together as a group into our new training suite at SeeSaw HQ to complete the course. The new recruits are excited to be taking on their first referrals now.

The *average* cost to support a bereaved child is £547. We don't limit the amount of time it takes to support a bereaved child as every situation is different, and some children with more complex needs require more input. Based on the average cost per bereaved child Sporting Bears could support 7 children, helping them face the future with hope after a parent or sibling has died.

I hope it is reassuring to know that your money will make a real difference and will help SeeSaw continue to support some of Oxfordshire's most vulnerable children and their families.

With heartfelt thanks for all you do for so many children's charities like SeeSaw. We look forward to seeing you again next year.

Kind regards,

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