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Nourish Update

by Olga Johnson (Co-Chair)

Nourish continues to get busier and unfortunately we ran out of food for the third time in 12 months.

We are always looking for food donations and thanks to Tesco and Fairshare we will be collecting food in Tesco St Johns, Southborough and Tunbridge Wells Metro from gam on 2nd July to 9pm on 4th July. Thank you Tesco!!

With the support of the Town and Country Housing Foundation our principal funder, we are reaching even more vulnerable families and individuals in the Tunbridge Wells and Tonbridge areas. Circle Housing and Porchlight are working closely with us as we expand further into Tonbridge.

Pavilion Flowers in Tonbridge are helping us to set up a voucher system so that families receiving food bags can exchange them for fresh fruit and vegetables and J Rook in Tunbridge Wells is helping us to provide fresh meat while we find a butcher in Tonbridge to work with us.

On June 15th we held our very first AGM in Tunbridge Wells at King Charles the Martyr

Church Hall. It was a very productive evening with many of our brilliant volunteers in great form with lots of questions and discussion about future plans.

You can get a copy of our 2014-2015 accounts and annual report on our website.

We have an ambitious events programme for 2015 and having just finished our End Hunger games initiative we are now focusing on the Dragon Boat Festival at Bewl Water. After a fantastic event in 2014, we are again entering a boat this year on 12th September. We have limited spaces available but if you are interested in rowing with us or helping out on the day then please email Jane Mars at janecmars@gmail.com

Thanks so much for your continued support!

Olga Johnson
Co-Chair

Thanks This Month Go To...

Thank you to the **Brian Mitchell Charitable Settlement** for an amazing donation of £1,500.

Huge thanks to our regular food donors including Sacred Heart Church Wadhurst, Searchpress, St. Peters School, King Charles the Martyr and St. Theodores Church



Our Latest Supporter

Nourish is very excited to be working with Childrensalon throughout 2015-2016. The team have already been a great supporter of our work donating food and funds and looking forward we have some great plans together.

Childrensalon have their own boat and will be rowing in the Dragon Boat Festival on 12th September raising money for Nourish



Sainsbury's Update

We continue to receive amazing food donations on a weekly basis from our collection point in store. We have also seen sustained cash donations from our till pods. As at 17.06.15 we have collected a total of **2,999.40kg** of food and **£2,906.42**

Fundraising and Events

2015-2016



The “End Hunger Games 2015”
Huge thanks to everyone that took part in the End Hunger Games 2015.

Total Raised £1,675.65

The Auction - Huge thanks to everyone who donated prizes to our auction. We raised a fantastic **£193.69**.

Thanks go to Sam Yardley Photography, Settle Tunbridge Wells, Warners Solicitors, Bumps and Beyond Photography, Marianne MacDonald, Tunbridge Wells Sports Centre and Cook! Tunbridge Wells.

The Team Challenge - We had four amazing teams that took to the challenge and held bake sales, dress down days and a sponsored walk. They raised an amazing **£1,481.96** between them!

Thanks to AXA PPP, TN2 and the Sherwood Partnership, TCHG and Fidelity UK for getting involved.



There can however only be one winner and the End Hunger Games 2015 winners are **TN2 and the Sherwood Partnership** who raised **£570.14** by doing a sponsored walk around Sherwood Lake. Great work guys!!



Dragon Boat Festival 2015
We are now focusing on our next fundraising event which is taking place on 12th September.

Yes we are doing it again. The “Nourishers” are taking to the water in the 2015 Dragon Boat Festival at Bewl water. We had such a great time last year raising over £3000 and this year we want to do even better!

Become a Friend Of Nourish
Donate £3 a month and help us support those in crisis.

Regular donations enable us to plan ahead and remain sustainable even when demand increases unexpectedly.

Visit our website for more information.

OUR PRINCIPAL FUNDER 2015-2016



Thanks To Our Funders

Nourish would like to say thank you once again to the Town and Country Foundation for their continued support and funding for the 2015-2016 financial year.

We have also received ongoing funding from TWBC and would like to thank them for this and the provision of office space at Gateway

New funders to Nourish in 2015-2016 include the Cole Charitable Trust, Gatwick Airport Community Trust and the Sir Thomas Smythe’s Charity.

CAN YOU HELP?



Volunteers Needed

As we continue to grow and expand our services into Tonbridge, we are in need of volunteers to undertake a variety of roles.

We are especially keen to talk to people who would like to volunteer to drive and deliver foodbags into South Tonbridge.

If you are interested or know someone who is then please contact our operations manager on office@nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk

GET INVOLVED!

Want To Help?

If you would like to get involved with fundraising, volunteering or would like to set up a food collection for Nourish, please call **01892 548 892** or contact us at office@nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk