



# Taylan's Project Christmas APPEAL 2016

During the festive season we search for the 'real' meaning of Christmas and something to warm our hearts. So as you contemplate your Christmas list, please would you consider helping us and purchasing just one more gift – a gift for a child with cancer?

Every day, 10 children and young people in the UK hear the shocking news that they have cancer. Often, children who suffer from such serious illnesses have to endure long stays in hospital with unpleasant treatments and it is difficult to make these brave children happy during this challenging time. Treatment usually starts immediately, and we know only too well that being diagnosed with cancer is a frightening experience for a child and their family.

As part of the ongoing support that we provide for families and children who are being treated for cancer at The John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford and in surrounding specialist hospitals, once again we're aiming to donate a teddy to each child who desperately needs a hug.

Many children will visit their Oncology Ward at some point over the festive period, or for those who are too poorly to make the journey, will receive a home visit and sadly for many of them, this will be their last Christmas. We too only had just one Christmas with Taylan after he was diagnosed with a brain tumour.

Last year, our successful appeal granted over 140 cuddly teddies, reaching children in Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire and Northamptonshire.

**Please help us to do the same again this year.**

Here are just a few of the wonderful messages we received last year:

*"Thank you so, so much for the huge delivery of gorgeous teddies which arrived on our ward in December. They have brought big smiles to many faces young and older – and not just to children, but to the faces of worried and anxious parents who have been so relieved to see their child smile. Gifts like these break up the monotony of the day, they make someone feel special and not forgotten and they distract from the reality of treatment. Thank you so much for doing all of these things for our most poorly children."*  
**GD ON BEHALF OF CLIC SARGENT  
BASED AT JOHN RADCLIFFE  
HOSPITAL, OXFORD.**

*"Dear Taylan's Project.  
Thank you for the gifts of 'Dave' and 'Banana' – the children were delighted to receive the teddies during their last (joint) inpatient stay and as parents we have been really touched to know that complete strangers are wishing us well and hoping for the best possible outcome for our children. Thank you!"*  
**MUM WITH SIBLINGS  
CURRENTLY ON  
TREATMENT.**

*"My daughter has been playing with her teddy all day; she is so delighted with it. Her friend is also in for treatment and together their teddies have been having tea parties all afternoon. Please pass on our thanks to Taylan's Project for these lovely gifts – such a wonderful surprise and it really lifts everyone's spirits, which makes being here that bit easier."*  
**L – MUM OF 5 YR. OLD  
RELAPSE PATIENT.**

Taylan loved his teddies, as do all children, so please help us. For as little as £10, you can make a child smile and make a difference by sponsoring a teddy. You could do so yourself, get together with friends and family, ask your child's class to each donate £1, or collect donations through your workplace. In other words, there are lots of ways to make it happen and any help you can give would be very much appreciated.

All you have to do is email us at [mail@taylansproject.com](mailto:mail@taylansproject.com) by **Wednesday 30th November 2016**, telling us how many teddies you would like to sponsor, including your name, and how you would like to make your donation.

You can **send us a cheque** made payable to 'Taylan's Project' and post to:  
Taylan's Project, 2 Rustics Close, Calvert Green, Buckinghamshire, MK18 2FG, United Kingdom.

Or **make a payment using your bank's Internet Banking service**:  
Payee: **Taylan's Project** / Description: **(Your name) Christmas Appeal**  
Sort Code: **20-57-40** / Account number: **93642445**

Or **donate in cash** to Taylan's Project in person.

For more details please contact us on **07974 438395** or email us at [mail@taylansproject.com](mailto:mail@taylansproject.com)

**Thank you for your continued support**

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