PUTTING THE ‘FUN’ INTO FUNDRAISING...

Not to mention the ‘fund’ and the ‘raising’.
Thank you for choosing to support Macmillan. Every single pound you raise will help us improve the lives of people living with cancer and their families.

Inside you’ll find lots of ways to get involved – from hosting an event to individual challenges. We hope you enjoy being part of Macmillan and we are delighted to welcome you to the team.

**Why we need you**
We know a cancer diagnosis can affect everything. Your work, your finances, your relationships –your whole life. That’s why we provide emotional and practical cancer support – so when someone’s facing a difficult time, they can start to feel more in control again.

And now thanks to your incredible efforts, we’ll be able to reach even more people who need us.

**Giving you a helping hand**
As a member of Team Macmillan, you’ll receive guidance on organising your events and fundraising for it. We’ll be with you until the big day and beyond. We’ve also got loads of resources that can help you out – simply head over to be.macmillan.org.uk to find out more.

For info, advice or if you just need some moral support, give our Fundraising Support Centre a call free on 0300 1000 200 or drop us an email at fundraising@macmillan.org.uk

Now all that’s left to say is good luck and over to you ...

Best wishes,

Claire Singlehurst
Director of Regional Fundraising
Top 10 fundraising ideas
Supercharge your fundraising
Team work
Amrik’s story
Your year ahead
Keep it safe and legal
It’s easy to pay your money in
Notes
Talent show
Strut your stuff and show off your skills with a talent show and charge people for tickets.

Non-uniform day
Casual clothes day, own clothes day, home clothes day, non-uniform day, civvies day, dress down day – whatever you call it, kids love it. You could also do bring a game to school day. Both for a suggested £1 donation to Macmillan.

Bag it up
Simply ask your local supermarket if you can bag customers’ shopping and ask for a donation for your service. It’s simple, it’s a proven way to raise lots of money and it’s a great way to meet people.

Your Walk
We love walking – and if you do too why not sign up to host a sponsored walk for Macmillan? Fresh air. Laughs with family and friends. A cuppa from your thermos. And making a massive difference for people affected by cancer. What’s not to love? So walk whenever and wherever you want in aid of Macmillan. Visit: macmillan.org.uk/yourwalk

Teachers/lecturers versus Students
The ultimate friendly rivalry. Whether it’s football, dodgeball or netball, pitting teachers/lecturers against students is a great way to raise money. Sell tickets to friends and family to come and cheer along. You could also put a teacher/lecturers in the stocks and have sponges thrown at them. That’s if they’re brave enough.
Match 4 Macmillan
Our fantastic fundraiser Match 4 Macmillan lets you host an event around any sporting activity or hobby you like – whether you’re fanatical about footie or bonkers about baking. All you need to do is put on a match, get people involved and raise money for Macmillan through sponsorship or entry fees. Find out more at macmillan.org.uk/match

Bring and buy sale
Macmillan proverb: one man’s unwanted Christmas jumper is another man’s golfing sweater. So turn someone’s trash into treasure with all proceeds going to Macmillan.

Give up social media
Facebook fanatic? Twitter mad? Give up social media for a day or a week; get out into the real world and raise money.

Bake off
Get the oven on, whip up some icing and get ready for a good old-fashioned bake off. You can even sell them at your Coffee Morning event: macmillan.org.uk/coffee

Quiz night
Q. For two points, what makes a quiz evening a top night?
A. A quiz master with the charisma of Ant and Dec combined.
B. Questions that get brain cells working but don’t overheat them.
You can have one point for each correct answer.
To help you make your event as successful as possible, here’s our handy list of hints and tips.

Event essentials
Our supporter website be.Macmillan is designed to help you in your fundraising efforts. To find out more, visit be.macmillan.org.uk

Make your own
If you need an eye-catching poster, a flyer, invitation or tickets, be.Macmillan has hundreds of templates for you to choose from. All you need to do is pick your product, add your event’s details, download it to your computer and print it out. Simple.

Merchandise
be.Macmillan is also your one-stop shop for Macmillan event merchandise. Check out all the great items we have to support you – from t-shirts to balloons, collection tins and more.

Ideas, ideas, ideas
Visit our ‘Ideas of the month’ section on be.Macmillan for tons of topical fundraising ideas. And if you need support with any of your own ideas, call our friendly fundraising team on 0300 1000 200 or email fundraising@macmillan.org.uk

To see how other supporters have promoted their events using be.Macmillan, watch our short video at be.macmillan.org.uk/supporters

Spread the word
Promoting your events will help you shout about your efforts and ultimately raise more money for Macmillan.
Look local
To tell people about your fundraising, you could use local media – such as newspapers, radio stations or even TV stations.

Get social
Social media sites, such as Facebook and Twitter, are a great way to tell your friends and followers all about your fundraising efforts.

And you can also keep in touch with Macmillan on Facebook at facebook.com/macmillancancer and @macmillancancer for Twitter.

(Fund)raising the bar
As well as putting on a great event, make sure you give supporters plenty of ways to donate their dosh and help fund all the essential services Macmillan provides.

Set a target
Fundraisers often tell us that they find it helpful to set themselves a fundraising target. It can help you stay motivated right up until the big day and also help to boost the total that you raise. Win-win.

Make donating a doddle
JustGiving is an easy way to collect donations from friends and family online. Simply set up your own web page at justgiving.com/macmillan and share the link with your supporters.

Set up a unique text code
Make it even easier for people to support you by setting up a unique text code – that’s automatically added to your JustGiving total.

All you need to do is make sure your JustGiving page is set up, log into your account at justgiving.com/macmillan and follow the instructions. Once you’ve got your code, let everyone know about it by popping it on all of your fundraising materials and post it proudly on social media.

For more information, head to justgiving.com/justtextgiving

Gift Aid
It’s no secret. At Macmillan we love the taxman just as much as we love you and your supporters. That’s because for every £1 someone sponsoring you donates (provided they’re paying tax at the time of the donation) HMRC will give us an extra 25p at no cost to them.

So, in order for us to magically turn every pound you raise into £1.25, please make sure all of your supporters use Gift Aid on their donations.

To find out more, download our quick and easy guide to Gift Aid leaflet by logging onto be.macmillan.org.uk and enter ‘gift aid’ in the search field.
Katie was a student at Glasgow University when she first started volunteering as an intern for Macmillan.

‘I’d heard about the Macmillan internships and the opportunities and thought “why not?” It was the first interview I’d ever done so it was great experience,’ says Katie.

As well as gaining valuable new skills, Katie also had something to add to her CV after graduating. Katie says: ‘If you’re applying for jobs you can put volunteering alongside whatever your main focus is – and employers will see you’re a well-rounded person.’

Oodles of opportunities
Since becoming a Macmillan volunteer, Katie has done all sorts for us – including bucket collections and raising awareness of our work. ‘No matter what your interests or passions, there’s bound to be something for you,’ says Katie.

Now a chairperson of her university’s Macmillan committee, Katie says meeting lots of people and making new friends are just a few of the many benefits about volunteering.

And when it comes to Macmillan, Katie says: ‘As soon as you start volunteering you feel part of the team.’
At 18, the news that Amrik had cancer left him angry and confused. Fortunately, Amrik found the information he got from Macmillan was the first step to starting to feel more in control again.

‘I was hoping to get some good A levels, go to university and enjoy my life. But that was snatched away from me,’ says Amrik.

And at an age when socialising is particularly important, he found his relationships were also affected, as in his words: ‘You want to be fighting fit. All my friends were going away to university while I was forced to sit on the sidelines. So it was a lonely time.’

‘Macmillan’s advice is priceless’

An important source of support for Amrik was the information he got from Macmillan.

‘The first leaflet I read was a Macmillan one. It was so straight-talking about what’s going to happen and how you can get through it.

‘I know my family were also really informed thanks to Macmillan’s information – online and in leaflets. That was priceless and still is,’ says Amrik.

He’s now looking to the future and says: ‘I always try to really enjoy life, because I feel like I had two years taken away. Cancer can be scary – but that’s where Macmillan really helped me.’
Use this handy planner to help you stay organised throughout the year – whether you’re planning a jumble sale in January or a disco in December.

To get you started, here are some questions you might want to think about:

WHERE will it happen?
WHO is going to come?
WHAT do you need?
HOW will you raise money?

And remember, our Fundraising Support Centre is also here to lend a hand. Call us on 0300 1000 200 or email fundraising@macmillan.org.uk
Fundraising is all about having fun and raising money but it’s also subject to laws and legislation. Don’t worry though we’ve broken down this need-to-know info for you.

**Collections**
Collections are a great way to raise money, especially in a busy area. However if you’re planning a collection that takes place in a publicly owned place then this is governed by strict legal requirements and must be licensed by your Local Authority (Northern Ireland has slightly different regulations). Before you approach your Local Authority for a license, please advise us of your plans and await approval. Licenses are not required on privately owned land – just ensure you have the permission of the owner or business.
**Raffles and lotteries**
Raffles, lotteries and prize draws are all governed by legislation – so before holding one and spending money on getting tickets printed, please contact our Fundraising Support Centre. Also, be aware that lottery laws cover any events which are purely down to luck or chance, such as duck or balloon races even.

**Insurance**
When you organise a fundraising event, you’re responsible for making sure it poses no risk to others. That’s why we’d recommend you take out public liability cover for events such as a sponsored walk or sports event. Unfortunately, Macmillan’s own policy won’t cover you but we can advise you about the kind of cover you need. Just get in touch with our Fundraising Support Centre.

**Food hygiene**
Please take great care when handling food and work to basic rules for safe preparation, storage, display and cooking. No one likes a poorly tummy, especially as a reward for raising money for charity.

**Data protection**
Make sure any electronic or paper records you keep about people involved in a fundraising event complies with the Data Protection Act. As a rule of thumb, don’t keep information about people any longer than you have to, and don’t share information or data about someone without their permission. For further details of our Data Protection policy please refer to macmillan.org.uk/dataprotection

If you have any further questions, or if you have any specific fundraising ideas you want to discuss you can contact our friendly fundraising team on 0300 1000 200 or at fundraising@macmillan.org.uk
Please follow these guidelines for the different methods you can use to pay in the money you have raised or donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Head to the bank**
If you’d like to make a donation in person, you can pay in cash and cheques at the bank. For a paying in slip that you can use at any branch of NatWest, RBS or Ulster Bank please contact our Fundraising Support Centre. Call us on **0300 1000 200** or email **fundraising@macmillan.org.uk** and make sure you leave your details with us so that we can send you an acknowledgement letter.

**Pop to the post box**
Cheques made payable to Macmillan Cancer Support can be sent by post to: **Freepost RTHE-KYHB-TRTJ, Supporter Donations, Macmillan Cancer Support, Camelford House, 87-90 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7UQ**. Please make sure you include the donation form included in the pack and don’t forget to tell us about your amazing fundraising efforts.

**Hop online**
You can pay your money in to us directly at **macmillan.org.uk/yourevent** or you can make a bank transfer or BACS payment. Just contact the Fundraising Support Centre (you’ll find our details above) and we’ll provide you with a reference number and our account details. Or, why not set up a page on **justgiving.com**? It will collect money from your supporters automatically and take all the hassle out of collecting your sponsorship.
This year, say see you later to your luscious locks, farewell to your full fringe and goodbye to your trendy tresses – and get sponsored to brave the shave.

You’ll be standing proudly alongside men and women with cancer. And all the funds you raise will help us to make sure when someone’s facing a difficult time, they can start to feel more in control again.

Be a hair-o and sign up at bravetheshave.org.uk
We’re here for you

When you have cancer, you don’t just worry about what will happen to your body, you worry about what will happen to your life. At Macmillan, we know how a cancer diagnosis can affect everything and we’re here to support you through.

From help with money worries and advice about work, to someone who’ll listen if you just want to talk, we’ll be there. We’ll help you make the choices you need to take back control, so you can start to feel like yourself again.

No one should face cancer alone. For support, information or if you just want to chat, call us free on 0808 808 00 00 (Monday to Friday, 9am–8pm) or visit macmillan.org.uk
Please make sure you fill in all of these details.

Name
Address
Email
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Event name

Please return your completed sponsorship form to:
Freepost RTHE-KYHB-TRTJ, Supporter Donations,
Macmillan Cancer Support, 89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7UQ

Make your gift work harder

Do you pay tax? If so, by simply completing this form you can boost the value of your gift by 25p for every £1 without costing you a penny. I have ticked the box headed ‘Gift Aid’, I confirm that I am a UK Income or Capital Gains taxpayer. I have read this statement and want Macmillan Cancer Support to reclaim tax on the donation detailed below, given on the date shown. I understand that if I pay less Income Tax or Capital Gains tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all of my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

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By submitting this form you agree to us recording your details on our database, so we can provide you with the best possible support every time you contact us. We will also contact you from time to time by phone, email, text or post to tell you about how we can support you and how you can get involved with our team. Your details will be kept securely and only shared with our suppliers or partners who work on our behalf or with us to deliver and improve services for people affected by cancer. We never sell or swap your details with third parties. If you prefer us not to use your details in this way, you can email contact@macmillan.org.uk, telephone 0300 1000 200, or write to us at Macmillan Cancer Support, 89 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7UQ.

Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATOR
Please use this form to donate money raised from a G&A collection or fundraising event.

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Please let us know if your circumstances or address details change so that we can amend our records.

About your donation (what did you do to reach your target?)

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Macmillan Cancer Support and our trading companies would like to hold your details in order to contact you about our fundraising, campaigning and services for people affected by cancer. If you would prefer us not to use your details in this way please tick the box.

We do not sell or swap your details with any third parties, but in order to carry out our work we may need to pass your details to service companies authorised to act on our behalf.

Please return this form with your gift to:

**Macmillan Cancer Support, Freepost RTHE-KYHB-TRTJ, Supporter Donations, 89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7UQ.**

(If you want to use a stamp please omit the Freepost line in the address)

**Thank you for helping people living with cancer by supporting our work.**

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