

Celebrity Chef Lesley Waters backs new foodie fundraiser;-

Dine for Macmillan

Lesley Waters has put her name and support firmly behind the newest fundraiser being launched by Macmillan Cancer Support – **Dine for Macmillan**.

“When I heard about this new foodie fundraiser I knew I had to get involved,” says Lesley. “There can be no better way to raise money for one of Britain’s best loved charities than to have fun with your friends and family over a delicious meal.”

Local area fundraising manager Claire Coles explains. “Dine for Macmillan is a really enjoyable event that’s so easy to take part in. There is no right or wrong way to get involved, all you have to do is host a meal and ask your guests for a suggested donation instead of bringing flowers or chocolates. We’re thrilled Lesley has agreed to be our foodie ambassador, she is so passionate about food and cooking, we’re hoping this will rub off on our hosts and get people inspired to share a meal together!”

Dine for Macmillan caters for all tastes, all cooking abilities and all pockets. It can be a formal dinner, a simple supper party, a fabulous themed feast, a big breakfast, a picnic in the park or a takeaway ... you can even ask your favourite pub or restaurant to run a Dine for Macmillan event.

Claire continues, “The beauty of this event is that you can hold it any time you like, as many times as you like. Why not make it a regular social event? Everyone can get involved, from budding chefs who want to show off their cooking skills to those more at home with a microwave meal. All that matters is that you take part and have fun doing it.”

It really is easy as pie. If five guests all donate £5 a head, just one dinner party could fund a Macmillan benefits advisor for just over an hour, helping people affected by

cancer understand what benefits they are entitled to and how financial grants can ease their money worries.

Interested in holding a Dine for Macmillan event?

Find out more at www.macmillan.org.uk/dine

Once registered, hosts will receive a Dine for Macmillan fundraising pack which is crammed with menu ideas, hints and tips for making the party a real success.

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Notes to Editors:

For more information or to organise an interview with someone from Macmillan about Dine for Macmillan, contact your local office on x or via x

About Macmillan Cancer Support

Macmillan Cancer Support improves the lives of people affected by cancer, providing practical, medical, emotional and financial support. Working alongside people affected by cancer, Macmillan seeks to improve cancer care. One in three of us will get cancer. Two million of us are living with it. If you are affected by cancer Macmillan can help. For more information about Macmillan Cancer Support visit www.macmillan.org.uk or freephone 0808 808 0000.

About Lesley Waters

Well known for her regular television appearances on Ready Steady Cook, Great Food Live, and This Morning, Lesley is also a former Head Tutor of Leith's School of Food & Wine, author of several Cookery Books, a qualified Fitness Instructor and a mother of two!

Originally a Londoner born & bred, Lesley was quickly charmed by the beauty of the West Dorset area and inspired by the superb quality of the fresh local produce available right on her doorstep. She likes to cook seasonal food whenever possible and her simple, modern style creates dishes that are easy to recreate with stunning results.

Teaching has always been her great passion and opening her own Cookery School in this amazing location is the realisation of a long held dream. Her energetic style of presentation is expertly combined with clear and simple guidance, making her classes both entertaining and informative.

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