

MSSA NEWS

Sponsored walk by Montessori School offers hope for cancer sufferers

To celebrate their 11th birthday, Hopes and Dreams Montessori Nursery School proudly participated in the 20-mile night hike through London in September 2008. The hike was organised to raise funds for the London Maggie's Centre which has opened this year providing advice and support to anyone affected by cancer.

The Hopes and Dreams team has managed to raise over £4,600 pounds so far for the Centre, thanks to generous donations from parents, families and friends. All the staff members participating felt extremely proud to help a charity with such an important cause. Cancer affects so many lives every

day and many people walked with personal messages for their loved ones. Hopes and Dreams dedicated their walk to the loving memory of Susan Bingham's partner Matthew Faherty who had been the soul behind many projects at the Nursery School since its foundation in 1997 and who was sadly beaten by cancer last October.

All the 1,500 participants' determination and motivation was felt throughout the London sites where they had exclusive access, including the London City Hall, Somerset House, Horse Guards, the brand new Maggie's Centre, the IET, Savoy Place and many others.



As Susan Bingham, Managing Director at Hopes and Dreams, said: "It was a night we'll never forget. All the effort and pain was worth the feeling of satisfaction at the finish line."