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Support the Children of Belarus this Christmas



When you are planning your Christmas shopping, maybe you can consider a Gift Card for one of your friends or family. This will buy a present which will bring joy to a sick child or disabled young person in Belarus.

£10 would buy a gift for a child like Masha in the care of our Hospice Team in Gomel, or for a child having treatment in the Cancer Hospital, like two year old Sasha

If you wanted to help a child in remission from cancer to have a recuperative holiday in the UK

£250 would buy a flight; and **£400** would pay for the whole holiday.

A pack of baby clothes, nappies, toiletries and other essentials for a New Mum would be **£40**

And a Big Box of Art and Craft Materials for an orphanage or institution for disabled young people is just **£25**.

A holiday for a disabled young person from an institution at a Holiday camp in a clean part of the Belarusian countryside costs **£140**.

We fund extra staff at Zhuravichi to provide additional care to children

and some teaching to disabled young people, many of whom never had any education in their childhood. A month's salary for a half time carer or teacher is **£100**





Healthy, Happy Summer Holidays

All the children who came to stay with our groups this summer were in remission from cancer. They all had a brilliant time and as you can see from the children below, who stayed in Gloucester and Leeds, they became great friends. They went home with improved immune systems and very happy memories. These children staying in Stafford had each made themselves a beautiful scrap book during a craft session, in which to keep photos and messages to show their friends and family at home.



The mums who come with their very young children are greatly in need of some relaxation after all the stress they have been through. This group of mums stayed in Glossop this summer and when they visited Gulliver's World, it was the mothers who enjoyed the rides even more than their children did!



Alina loves coming to England and the teenagers and host families love her too. She has recently graduated from Minsk Linguistic University.

Alina first came to the UK as a small child with her mother when she had been ill. She came for a further holiday as a teenager and since then has been three times as an interpreter to Solihull.



Rechitsa Boarding Home

For the first time this year we sent a group of volunteers to Rechitsa, a Boarding Home for children and young adults with physical and learning disabilities. Every year many of the children go to the Holiday Camp. But this time half the

children were staying behind, along with thirty young adults.

They all loved having the volunteers there to play and talk with them and organise crafts and sports activities.

There were just four volunteers there this time, including Lilia, our brilliant young interpreter. We hope to send a bigger group next year.



Ptich Holiday Camp

One of our first time volunteers, Caitlin McGlaughlin said "I didn't realise how much I would enjoy my time there and it has been an experience that has opened my eyes in many ways. I really did have the time of my life and I hope to return next year and be involved in the charity for years to come."

The children and young people had an amazing time too. Many thanks to the volunteers who raised extra funds and to the Persula Foundation for sponsoring some of the holidays for young adults



Zhuravichi Boarding Home

Lynne Murphy and her team of dedicated volunteers went to Zhuravichi in the far north of Gomel Region once again and provided love, care and expertise to the residents. Lynne is already planning next year's **Fund Raising Ball** to support the young people of Zhuravichi, to take place on February 24th in Altrincham.



Olga Avila and Alla Nichhkasava are part of an Early Intervention team based in Minsk. They came in October to look at Special Schools and visit Manchester Children's Hospital.

*Thanks to funding from the **BEARR Trust**, we have a new project, led by psychiatrist Natalia Begliuk, supporting adolescents with mental health problems in the community in Gomel.*



If you're looking to do some online shopping and want to get a great deal, Savoo has thousands of voucher codes and deals that will help you save money and they will donate to Chernobyl Children's Project at the same time.

You will find a link to Savoo on our homepage www.chernobyl-children.org.uk



You can support Chernobyl Children's Project every time you eat out! ChariTable Bookings have about 8,500 restaurants enrolled who will each give the charity of your choice £1 for every person dining if you book through their website.

Next time you are planning a meal out go to <https://charitablebookings.com>, sign up (takes 2 minutes) choose Chernobyl Children's Project(UK) as your charity and when you have found the restaurant you want, ring up and book. If you join the 30 bookings challenge you also have the chance to win a holiday.



Rob Nugent, Finance Director of **Godel Technologies**, recently visited some of the schools and orphanages which his company has supplied with computers through our office in Gomel. He also went to meet our young people at Family Home 2000 in the village of Klimovka, where Godel helps to fund the staff and met Milana and her mum, who are looked after by our Hospice Team, which also receives funding from this wonderful company.



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- ☐ 6 Mixed Christmas Cards **£2.50** ☐ 6 Winter Scene cards **£3.00**
☐ Calendar **£3.00** ☐ Gift for a Hospice Child **£10**
☐ Gift for Child at the Cancer Hospital **£10**
☐ Art & Craft Materials **£25** ☐ Baby pack for new mum **£40**
☐ Month's salary for a Carer or Teacher in an Orphanage **£100**
☐ Holiday for a disabled young person **£140**
☐ Flight /Holiday in the UK for child in remission from cancer **£250 / £400**
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