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The People of Belarus need our Love this Christmas



We have worked with the children's cancer charity, 'Children in Trouble' for twenty five years, and we continue to support them now.

We can no longer bring children in remission from cancer to the UK for recuperative holidays. But we funded some children to have a holiday at a



Sanatorium in the summer, and we are still able to help CiT to support the children and families in the **Children's Cancer Hospital at Barovliani**, in Minsk.

They do all the paperwork needed to clear medicines received from abroad and they provide food parcels and gifts for families in the hospital.

Your Gift of £10 will buy a present for a child spending their Christmas and New Year in the hospital.

£20 will buy a Christmas Gift for a family whose child is receiving Palliative Care

Much of the Hospice Care for families is now provided by local polyclinics. But we still employ a nurse and a psychologist to support families at home and they liaise closely with the local health department. At Christmas they will be visiting many families to provide support and deliver Christmas gifts.



Supporting Young People at Zhuravichi

£100 will fund a month's part time salary for an extra carer for the young adults with learning disabilities at Zhuravichi

Many of the young people are very talented at arts and crafts.

£25 will fund a big box of craft materials for one of the institutions we support



Sad News at Rodni Kut

For twenty years Nazar lived happily at Rodni Kut with his Papa Sergei, his 'mamas' and his adopted siblings Anya, Stas and Anton. Sadly in July Nazar passed away and his family in Belarus and all who love him here were devastated to lose him.

We will always remember his happy smile and his sense of humour; the way he remembered everyone he had ever met through their voice (he had very little vision) his care and empathy for everyone, from his immediate family to the neighbour's sister's boyfriend's cat!



With Helena Walker on his first visit to the UK



Thank you to everyone who has helped to fund Rodni Kut over the years to give Nazar, Anya, Anton and Stas a happy home. And thank you to Sergei and all the mamas for always being there for him when he needed you.

Nazar came to Britain at Christmas every year as he grew up from the age of eight, just before he moved into Rodni Kut. He stayed

with Linda Walker and family and had many happy adventures. He came back when Helena and Mike were married, to meet their first daughter Molly and then to celebrate his 24th birthday. Happy memories for everyone who met him.



Support a Carer in our Family Homes

Most of the carers, or 'mamas' at Rodni Kut, have been there since the children moved in during 2003. They are still doing a great job looking after Stas, Anton and Anya.

£50 will fund a week's salary for a carer at Rodni Kut or Family Home 2000 at Klimovka

Larissa has been the lead carer at Klimovka for

many years and has a wonderful relationship with all the young people.

Her husband Sasha is regarded as 'Papa' by Liena, Greesha and Ira.

Liena was delighted this summer when her brother Sergei came to visit from Murmansk in Russia, bringing with him Liena's cousin and her daughter Yana.





With CCP Director Linda Walker before one of Mags and Ken's first convoys

Together they drove ambulances out for some of the hospitals in Gomel Region; they packed and delivered aid and led convoys; hosted children with their mums; led the Glossop Group for over twenty years; and played a vital role in our management team. Rest in Peace Ken. You will both always be remembered and missed by all those whose lives you touched.

In Memory of Ken Whiting

Ken Whiting passed away peacefully in his sleep in October, aged 96. Mags died earlier this year and Ken had been coping well, but was looking forward to going to join her. They were together for 70 happy years and during 25 of those they dedicated much of their time and love to Chernobyl Children's Project and the people of Belarus.



A party to thank Ken and Mags for all their work co-ordinating the Glossop CCP Group



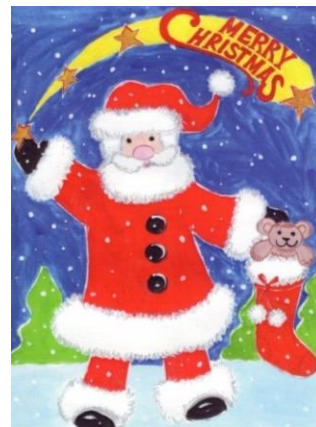
Our Crook Shop is still Thriving

After Gerald Hirst retired in the summer, Claire Pears took over the management of our wonderful charity shop in Crook, County Durham.

Claire is doing a great job and is now filling the shop with Christmas gifts and decorations, and prizes for a grand Christmas Raffle.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who help Claire to run the shop and sort the donations, especially Julie Finch.

Cards and Virtual Christmas Gifts



The jolly Santa on the right is one of a pack of 8 mixed cards. All the others come in packs of six.

If you buy a virtual gift you will receive a photo card to give to your friend or relative

Christmas Order Form (all prices include post and packing)

- ☐ 8 Mixed Christmas Cards £3.00 ☐ 6 Winter Scene Cards £3.00
- ☐ 6 Bullfinch Cards £3.50 ☐ 6 'Diet Moroz' (Santa) & Granddaughter £3.00
- ☐ Gift for a Hospice family £20 ☐ Gift for a Child at the Cancer Hospital £10
- ☐ A big Box of crafts for young people in an institution £25
- ☐ One weeks' salary for a carer at Rodni Kut or Klimovka £50
- ☐ Month's salary for a part time carer at Zhuravichi £100
- ☐ I would like to make a donation to CCP I enclose £.....
- ☐ I am a Tax Payer. Please Claim Gift Aid ☐ Please send me a Standing Order Form



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