



# The Sick Kids Friends Foundation

Helping sick kids & their families since 1992

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Dear Afshin

We were delighted to receive your cheque for £100, generously donated by branch members at your 2013 AGM. We really appreciate the Edinburgh Napier UNISON Branch nominating the Sick Kids to benefit from your donation and we are so grateful for your support. Please pass on our sincere thanks to everyone who made this donation possible.

2012 was a very special year for the Sick Kids Friends Foundation as we celebrated our 20th Anniversary. Since the Foundation was set up in 1992, kind supporters like you have helped to raise over £19 million to help young patients and their families. We look forward to an even better year in 2013 and beyond.

We aim to provide the best care possible for our young patients, and make both theirs and their families experience as stress free as possible. By providing the Royal Hospital for Sick Children with the most up to date and innovative medical equipment, we can help a great hospital become a world class facility.

We are currently fundraising towards a number of projects which with your help we aim to complete during 2013. The Dining Hall at the hospital is a place where parents, visitors and staff can escape the wards and have a hot meal or snack. We plan to turn this uninviting, dreary canteen into a much more attractive area, at a cost of around £60,000. This project will provide a much improved environment for hundreds of visitors every day.

In 2001 we purchased a Gamma Camera, which has made a great contribution to diagnosis and monitoring of children's conditions. The equipment is now old, the technology is out of date and a new state of the art camera would make a huge difference to the 500 children who need this imaging every year. The latest model, at a cost of £550,000 would not only provide very precise Gamma imaging, but would also include CT scanning within the same equipment. That means that if our main CT scanner is unavailable, children can still have this vital form of imaging without being moved to an adult hospital.

## The Royal Hospital for Sick Children

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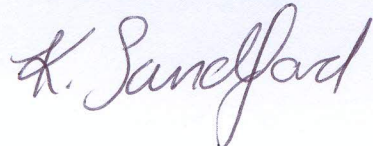
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We will also continue to fund other vital ongoing facilities and projects including our Artists in Residence project, the Drop in Centre, Family Accommodation, the Play Department, Kidsnet and the much loved Clowndoctors, who visit NHS respite homes Calaraidh and Sunndach as well as the hospital and who provide laughter and entertainment for our younger patients.

Once again, thank you for your support.

With warmest wishes

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'K. Sandford'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'K' being large and prominent.

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