

Promise Post!

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We have an exciting announcement!

Calling all TOWIE fans! We are delighted to announce that Pete Wicks (aka Pirate Pete) will be taking part in Walk for Dreams 2017 alongside an amazing young lady called Freya who we delivered a dream to 6 years ago. Freya and her family have been supporting Promise Dreams ever since she had her dream and she has become a very special member of the Promise Dreams family, with many people now recognising her for her association with the charity. Freya and Pete formed a friendship via social media and the star has shared several cups of tea, chinwags and selfies with Freya! Pete has now gone one step further and asked if he can support Freya by completing Walk for Dreams alongside her and her family in a fancy dress costume (pirate themed of course!). We are super excited that he will be joining us. If you or anyone you know is a TOWIE fan this is definitely not an event to be missed! Visit www.walkfordreams.co.uk to sign up now.



Sabah's dream holiday

Sabah has just returned from a dream holiday abroad with her family, including her big brother who she had not been able to spend much time with over the past few months because of long hospital admissions. As you can tell by the look on her face in these photos, she had an amazing time!



Tricia's ladies do it again!

Our wonderful supporter Tricia Ward-Jones held her annual Spring Ladies Lunch for Promise Dreams and once again it was a huge success! The event raised £4500!! An absolutely staggering amount of money and we are so grateful to Tricia and all of the ladies who attended for raising such a fantastic amount. The money raised will help a young man named Finlay to have life-changing surgery. Finlay had a bleed in his brain shortly after birth that left him with cerebral palsy. Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy (SDR) surgery combined with intense physiotherapy will enable him to stand and walk independently for the first time in his life. Finlay told his mum and dad how excited he is to play 'stand-up football' with his twin brother Daniel!



NCP's fundraising is a piece of cake!

NCP West Midlands have chosen Promise Dreams as their charity partner for the upcoming year and we are delighted to have them on board. If you are visiting Wolverhampton city centre, park on NCP car park on Fryer Street and 10p of every parking ticket will come directly to Promise Dreams. In addition the staff are holding a cake sale on Monday 8th May in the Wulfrun Centre food court and all proceeds raised will help us to help more children. Guilt-free cake! Ben Marshall from Wolverhampton Wanderers came along to help us launch the event and sample the cakes on offer - we can confirm they are delicious!



Maryam loves her new trike! Since it was delivered she has been able to go on family bike rides and play outside with her friends.



Make 2017 your year!

Did you watch the London Marathon feeling inspired and determined? Why not join us and take part in Lake Vyrnwy's half marathon on 10th September and raise money for Promise Dreams? We fully support you throughout your fundraising journey with a training plan, running vest, no entry fee, and all of the tools you need to encourage as many donations as possible - all we ask is that you raise a minimum of £150 in sponsorship from your family and friends. For more information call us on 01902 212451. Our team member Nikki has already signed herself up for the challenge so you won't be running alone! Sign up now and helping us to help even more brave children have their dream come true!



MOOG frekkers

A team of 15 employees from MOOG aircraft group have very kindly (and bravely!) decided to take on the challenge of trekking Ben Nevis on 20th May to raise funds for Promise Dreams.

Having already trekked Scafell Pike and Snowdon, the team only need to conquer Ben Nevis to complete their version of the Three Peaks challenge. Read more about their fundraising story and show your support for their efforts by visiting

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/p-whitehouse.

Good luck guys!

Thank you!

The business students at University of Wolverhampton raised a grand total of £3561! They held a huge range of events in aid of Promise Dreams and we are so grateful for their efforts – check out the video on our Facebook page to see what they got up to!



Buzzing to help!

Butters John Bee estate agents on Darlington Street in Wolverhampton are holding an open day on Saturday 20th May from 10am-3pm, where you can enjoy drinks, cakes, nibbles, find out more about Walk for Dreams 2017 and sign up, and even have a photo with Mr Bee and Poppett! If you're thinking of buying, selling, letting, or just want an informal chat the staff at Butters John Bee will be able to help you on the day. See you there!

Dreams, dreams, dreams...

This month we have had 3 urgent dreams that we have had to process as quickly as possible. Abigail was unable to spend any time outside during the first 5 months of her life so her family wanted to get her some play equipment that she can use in her own back garden, so that she can bond with her older sister and spend her last few months outside in the fresh air as much as possible. Daniel is 6 and is now receiving end of life care so his mum was desperate to take him and his two older sisters to Center Parcs for a week to spend some precious time together. Samina is about to celebrate her second birthday but tragically it is likely to be her last. Her parents want to throw her a second birthday party that everyone can remember, with sensory toys, a children's entertainer, balloons and of course a huge cake! We wouldn't be able to help make these kinds of dreams come true without your support and donations so, sincerely, thank you.

Until next time...thank you for your support and we hope you have a wonderful month ahead!