

Pastoral care and fulfilment is at the heart of everything we do at Notre Dame and is at the forefront of all our interactions, every day: the way we deliver our lessons to stretch, challenge and support; the kindness and compassion we show towards everyone in our community; the self-awareness and respect we expect from and show each other – this all builds a sense of self that is positive, resilient and secure.

We are very proud of our students and their awareness of the needs of others. Students used their own initiative to raise money to support the Disasters Emergency Committee Ukraine Appeal, and donated a very large quantity of healthcare products, blankets, sleeping bags and more to support Ukrainian refugees and displaced persons. At Harvest time students donated 60 crates of food items for our local foodbank, even more than in previous years.

In 2022-2023 our Sixth Form chaplaincy reps have voted to support the Motor Neurone Disease Association and the Royal Marsden Hospital, in addition to ODNs Cobham

Outreach, and with a very successful RAG week have made a wonderful start to fundraising in support of these causes.

We have been delighted to be able to visit our friends at Whiteley Village and enjoyed spending time chatting and celebrating with the residents, as well as providing them with Christmas presents!

All of these things combine to help form the well-rounded, caring and motivated students that we have here at Notre Dame, and to give them the opportunity to make a positive difference in the world by putting their compassion into action.



We were delighted to welcome the Chief Executive from Shooting Star Children's Hospices to accept a cheque for £6,600, raised by students through a range of activities in the 2021-2022 academic year. This represented 50% of the students' fundraising efforts, with an equivalent sum also being donated to the Company of Mary charity, ODNs Cobham Outreach.



Reflection Days

All Senior School students participated in a Reflection Day in 2022, focussing on the themes of:

- Year 7: Friendship
- Year 8: Sadness into joy
- Year 9: Some things change while others stay the same
- Year 10: Doing good and being happy
- Year 11: Empathy
- ND 6: Equality, diversity, inclusion

