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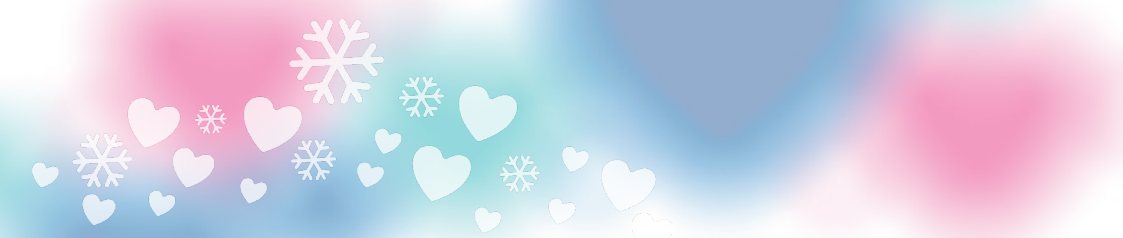


A - Z

of Festive Fundraising Ideas

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martlets.org.uk/christmas



Fundraise to help keep Martlets caring this Christmas.

Our team have put together a few ideas to get you started...

A is for Advent

Where it all begins. Over the 25 days from 1 December to Christmas Day why not put £1 into a collecting pot each time you open a door on your advent calendar. £25 will help Martlets to buy essential medical supplies.

B is for Bake Sale

Host a Christmas themed bake sale at home, school or work with mince pies, Christmas cake, stollen, gingerbread and other festive treats.

C is for Craft

Gather your creative friends together to host a fundraising Christmas market sale – perfect for purchasing hand-made presents.

D is for Decorations

Everyone loves to dress up their home for Christmas. Get out the glitter and hold an evening of making – crackers, cards, table centre-pieces, tree decorations, pine cones and candles.

E is for E-Greetings

Save the planet and help someone in your community by sending your Christmas greetings by email this year and donating the money saved on stamps to Martlets instead. Fifty first class stamps cost £47.50 which could go towards vital medical supplies.

F is for Festive Frock Swap

Bring your friends, neighbours, or local community together with a sustainable fashion event and pick yourself up a new-to-you Christmas party outfit.

G is for Gift Wrap

Offer a present wrapping service for your time-strapped friends in return for donations.

H is for Hampers and Hanuukah

The Jewish Festival of Lights, starts on 18 December 2022 and lasts for 8 nights. Each night candles are lit on a Menorah and gifts are exchanged. Ask your friends and family to donate one day's gift to a hamper which can be raffled off at the end of the festival to raise money for Martlets.

I is for International

Host a Christmas party embracing festive traditions, food and music from around the globe. Hang up a Swedish Yule goat, eat Austrian Lebkuchen, drink German Gluhwein, and sing a Spanish 'Feliz Navidad'.

J is for Jingle Jumpers

Allow your staff or pupils to come into work or school in their Christmas jumpers in return for a donation. Award a prize for the most spectacular!

K is for Kick-Off

World Cup 2022 kicks off in Qatar on 20 November and runs to 18 December. Organise a sweepstake charging £3 for each of the 32 teams taking part with a £10 top prize for the cup-winner and the remaining £86 donated to Martlets.

L is for Lights

Light up your home with solar-powered festive lights and request donations from all the visitors who come to enjoy their jolly glow. You could even team up with your neighbours to create a festive light trail.

M is for mulled wine and mince pies

Set up a stall at your local Christmas market or invite people in for an evening of festive fayre.

N is for Naughty (but Nice) jar

For every naughty treat you eat or drink during the 12 days of Christmas (25 December to 5 January) put 25p into a jar and on 6 January donate all the money to Martlets. £25 = 100 treats!

O is for 'Oh Come All Ye Faithful'

Wrap up warm and get out into your community with a collection bucket and some friends to sing some of your favourite carols.

P is for Pledge to make a difference

Make it your New Year's Resolution to take on a challenge for Martlets or sign up for a fundraiser. Find out more at martlets.org.uk/take-part

Q is for Quiz

Organise a Christmas themed quiz evening – online or at a community venue like your local pub. Email us for some festive questions you could ask.

R is for Reindeer Food

Create your own reindeer food from oats, dried fruit and edible glitter to sell for donations. Get your kids to help stirring all the ingredients together and sorting into bags. We've included a recipe on the back page but you could search up more recipes online or create your own.

S is for Secret Santa

Set your Secret Santa gift budget at £4 this year and ask your colleagues to donate the extra £1 to Martlets.

For more help with your festive fundraising just email fundraising@martlets.org.uk

T is for Tinsel Trails

Many neighbourhoods already organise a Light Trail or Decorated Advent Windows. Why not take part in yours this year and put a poster in your window asking visitors for donations to Martlets?

U is for unwanted gifts

Declutter your wardrobe and bottom drawer of old gifts and encourage your colleagues to do the same by holding a fundraising Bring and Buy sale before Christmas.

V is for Vouchers

Why not offer your time and talents as a very special gift voucher in return for a donation? This might be a night of babysitting, baking a birthday cake, doing the garden, or knitting a jumper. What could you offer as a voucher?

W is for Wreath workshop

Gather some greenery, a handful of friends, and a local florist for a wreath-making session. Ask for donations for the workshop and the wreath.

X is for Xmas Movie Marathon

Get in some popcorn and invite your friends and family round for an evening of festive films. Home Alone, Elf, It's a Wonderful Life – what's your favourite? Ask for donations for seats and snacks.

Y is for Year Long Challenges

On New Year's Day why not set yourself a sponsored challenge to take on throughout 2023 – walking a million steps, reading 50 books, rowing a million metres, sea-swimming every day. Set up a JustGiving page and let everyone know so they can encourage and support you through the year

Z is for Zero Waste

After all the Christmas feasting host an Open House party with your neighbours and friends to eat and drink up any leftovers you have. Ask for donations – food and money.

Reindeer Food Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- ★ Your favourite granola
- ★ Sugar stars or sprinkles
- ★ Crushed candy canes
- ★ Festive ribbon

Plus sandwich bags to store

To the sandwich bag add three to four tablespoons of your favourite granola, one to two tablespoons of sprinkles, and one to two tablespoons of crushed candy canes. Seal the bag with a festive ribbon, all ready for Santa and Rudolph to find.

