

Caledonian Hilton supports CCLASP

Edinburgh's Caledonian Hilton raised a £1,366 through its charity Hilton in the Community Foundation, for local partner Children with Cancer and Leukemia, Advice and Support for Parents (CCLASP) to put a smile on kids' faces in the run up to Christmas.

The charity organisation held several Christmas parties this month for many Edinburgh children battling illness and their families. The fun-filled month of December kicked off with a trip for the children to the theatre show, Beauty and The Beast.

The following weekend CCLASP organised a fabulous party for the children at RBS Gogarburn where Santa made a surprise stop off to see them all and join in the fun!

On the same weekend the children were celebrating on George Street at the Standard Life offices for a wonderful Christmas party.

The events will come to an end just in time for Christmas where 150 children will get into the spirit of Christmas at the King's Theatre pantomime of Cinderella with an after -show party with the cast at the Scouts South East Region Headquarters on Valleyfield Street next weekend.

Robin Stewart, director of business development at Caledonian Hilton said: "Hilton in the Community Foundation is an important part of our ethos here at the Caledonian Hilton. We're delighted to be able to make this contribution to CCLASP to support the great work they do and bring some brightness to these children and their families in the run up to the festive season."

Valerie Simpson, founder of CCLASP said: "The money donated from Caledonian Hilton has helped so much in holding these Christmas events. It was absolutely delightful to see so much joy in the children's faces and we're very grateful to Robin and his team at the hotel for their fundraising efforts."

Over the years, CCLASP has supported over 500 families and has assisted sick children and their families in a variety of ways such as offering invaluable advice and support through the creation of a drop-in centre and a telephone helpline. CCLASP also aids families who attend hospital regularly by offering transport facilities which are free and accessible, and organizing a range of trips and events for patients and their families.

Hilton in the Community Foundation has supported children in Edinburgh since 2000 with grants to several local good causes including Waverley Care, Edinburgh Sick Kids Foundation and Radio Lollipop.