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Dear Mrs Garratt,

Thousands of children and their families need treatment and care here at Birmingham Children's Hospital every year. Thanks to you, we are able to respond to their individual needs and make sure that being in hospital is as comfortable and reassuring as possible.

Thank you so much to everyone at St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School for your donation of £233.00 raised by your recent fundraising day

Recently, our hospital charity has funded some incredibly exciting projects which I thought you'd be interested to hear more about. Just one example is the recent purchase of new activity toys and wall panels for our Emergency Department and its waiting area to create a relaxed environment during times when patients and families may have to wait long periods to be seen.

Often, the improvement of patient experience extends far beyond the walls of our hospital thanks to your support. For our children with hand and upper limb differences this could be a weekend of activities. The goals of the camp are for our kids to develop self-confidence and self-esteem in an enjoyable and positive 'can-do' setting. For those patients who have recently had a renal transplant, we now provide a free drinking bottle that tracks the amount of water they drink. This aids their independence at home and has made a world of difference to families coming to terms with ensuring that their child remains safe and reducing the risk of in taking too much liquid.

It means a lot to our patients to know that the children at your school are thinking of them and wishing them well. So from all of them to all of you – thank you.

p.s if you'd like me to come in and do a presentation with students, please do just get in touch!



Anyia (pictured on the right) was born with a hole in the heart and a Hypoplastic Aortic Arch, and had her first open heart surgery here at the hospital when she was just 3 days old. After many complications with long stays in intensive care and a further 4 open heart surgeries before she was 9 months old, she was finally able to go home after 14 long months. She is now enjoying being at home with her big sister, Mum and Dad.

For more information about how your support is helping to shape the future of Birmingham Children's Hospital please visit www.bch.org.uk