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A club for children and their families in the North East and Cumbria who have suffered burn injuries

The newsletter of the Grafters Club



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SARAH ASQUITH AND MOLNLYCKE HEALTH CARE FOR THEIR VERY GENEROUS DONATION OF £500.

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The Christmas Party for 2010 is on Saturday 4th December at The Centre for Life

Come and join in the fun, games and have a dance.
Don't forget to make a note in your diary or on the calendar



Christmas Card Competition 2009 WINNER

A big thank you to Studsvik for inviting **The Grafters Club** to design their Christmas card for 2009. We would like to say a special thank you to everyone who sent in their wonderful designs.

It must have been an almost impossible task for Studsvik to choose one winner. But they did, and Congratulations to Brandon Wright who did a fabulous Christmas tree on his Christmas card.

Well done Brandon.



the Grafters Club

Family Christmas Party 2009

❄️ The Grafters Club Christmas Party was once again enjoyed by everyone. It's a great family event giving everyone the chance to join in games, have a dance, hold the odd creepy crawlie and a chat and catch up. A special thank you to all those who made our party so successful:



Studsvik -

Prizes for the games and a donation of £100

Nestle UK Ltd - Sweets for the party

Starlight Children's Foundation - £600

Parents Night 10 pin Bowling



We are going bowling at the MetroCentre. We can have a bit of team spirit and a few laughs with maybe perhaps a drink.

If you would like to join us please let us know by 13th April so we can book some lanes (1 game each)

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Connect the dots...



Why do golfers take an extra pair of trousers with them?
Incase they get a hole in one!!



Alexander's Story

Hello, my name is Alexander. I was burnt in an accident with a toy steam train over two years ago. I had two sets of grafts and stayed in hospital for 4 1/2 weeks. Last October I went to Grafham Water with the Grafters club for 3 nights. Alison and Alexa took us in a mini bus and we got backpacks full of goodies. It was great to be back at Grafham Water and I met up with Calvin again, he is from a different hospital, I met him the first time I went to Grafham Water. It was Halloween when we were there and we had a party. It was loads of fun and we all dressed up, I went as Harry Potter and there was loads of witches and zombies. There was even a Scottish zombie, you might ask how I know he was Scottish, well he had a tarten hat on of course.



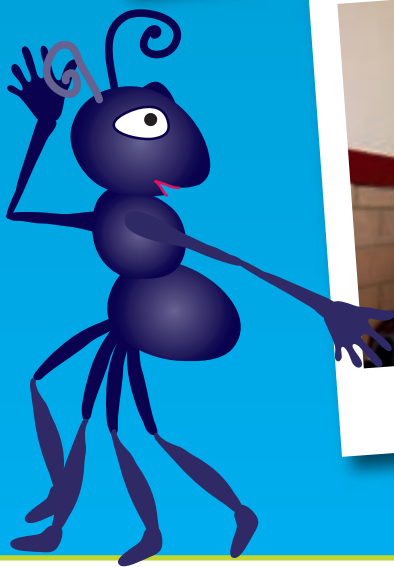
While we were there we climbed the wall, did orienteering, archery and loads of other great things, its an amazing place and we all had an amazing time.

Jamboree 2009

On Thursday 29th October 5 children set off on a near 4 hour bus journey to Grafham Water Centre.

Grafham Water Centre is a great Water Centre where you do lots of fun activities and if you get the chance to go I would really recommend it because Grafham Water is a great place and The Grafters Club is great - thanks Alison.

From Cory



Which is the quietist sport?
Bowling because
you can hear a pin
drop!!

The Grafters Club Family Day Out



Saturday 12th June 2010

**if you would like to come you must book
your place by Thursday 20th May.**

**A donation of £10.00 per family is to be paid
WITH your booking to secure your place.**

WE ARE ARRANGING 2 COACHES ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS.

Book your place now!

We must book and pay for the tickets 2 weeks before we go to qualify for the lower group rate.

The Grafters Club
Family Day Out



**Saturday
12th June 2010**

RSVP

Name

Contact Telephone Number

Number of adults

Number of children age 4 years and above

Number of children 3 and under

Number of OAP's

Transport required yes no

RSVP BY THURSDAY 20TH MAY

Please return to
The Post Room, The Grafters Club, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Queen Victoria Road,
Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4LP or ring Alison McKenzie on 0191 2820587



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Water OR Wine

**Come to Rothbury Street Fair on Spring Bank
Holiday Monday 31st May 2010**

10.30am - 4.00pm

Lynn Deacon a supporter of the Grafters Club has a stall at the fair to raise funds for us. Last year a total of £1200 was made after price matching by Barclays Bank which is a huge help towards all the activities and trips we organise.

The Water or Wine tombola stall is very popular but we need your help to raise the supplies. We need 500 bottles of water and 100 bottles of wine!!!

If you have any contacts who could help or if you would like to make a donation please contact Alison on 0191 2820587. Donations can be left on ward 11 or if you give me a call I will arrange for a collection.

Volunteers to help on the day will be greatly appreciated.



How about a Walk in the Park????

Fresh air!!! Exercise!!! A chat along the way!!!!

**Newcastle Healthcare Charity has organised a
sponsored walk in the park on Sunday 1st August 2010.**

Five laps around Leazes Park beside the RVI totalling 5.1 miles. You can walk on your own, with your family or in a group. If you would like to join us and help to boost the kitty for The Grafters Club please contact Alison McKenzie for sponsor forms, details on back page. We would love to see you there.

It is only through kindness and generosity of The Grafters Club supporters that we can organise events, parties and activities for the children and their families.



A Very Big **THANK YOU** to



A massive thank you to **Potts Printers** for printing our Newsletter *The Telegraph*.

Battle Hill Primary School at Wallsend - to **Denise, PTA and staff** for their wonderful donation of £50

URGO who supplied bags filled with goodies to help pass the time on the long journey to Grafham Water Centre in October 2009. They were greatly appreciated by everyone.

Children's Burn Trust who funded the National Jamboree at Grafham Water Centre, Cambridgeshire and the transport.

Lynn Deacon and Barclays Bank for their support of Water or Wine.

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We would love you to send us any ideas, stories, poems, puzzles, top tips or questions for *The Telegraph*.

A prize will be awarded for all contributions published.

Please send to Alison at the address opposite.