



**CHOC**

Childhood Cancer Foundation  
South Africa

"Keeping more than hope alive"

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# CHOC News

## CHOC House Opening Function



Attending the launch were Dr Mathew (Frere Hospital) Francois Peenz (Director of CHOC), Charl Beukes (Chairman SA Amputee Society)

On the 5th of March the CHOC House was officially opened. The event was well attended and was enjoyed by all. The CHOC house is looking lovely and has already had family of some of the children in C5 staying in it. The enclosed patio at the CHOC house made the perfect venue for the evenings festivities.

Everyone at CHOC would like to say a big thank you to all of those who have helped make the CHOC house a reality, it is really going to make a difference.

## Valentines poem for CHOC

Hudson Park Primary held a civvies day on Valentines day and raised R3 000 for CHOC. The following poem was written by Tamryn Scott for the event.

*Don't waste your money on fanta,  
Donate it to the people with cancer,  
Be a honey and give some money  
Please be sweet,  
they deserve a treat,  
open your heart,  
and be a part,  
Of the fundraising for cancer  
Thanks for going the extra mile,  
You're sure to make them smile  
To you all in red and white  
Thanks for spreading your bright light  
We appreciate it,  
Thank you!*



Grade 7's from Hudson park visiting the CHOC House

# With Thanks...

- \* Thanks to Rene Bishop for the camp cot and toys for CHOC house.
- \* The Kempston Group donated R1000.
- \* Cambridge Junior School have donated a wonderful R3 000 to us.
- \* Welcome to new volunteers – Janice Botha, Geraldene Copeland and Serena Austen
- \* Selborne Primary Grade 5M pupils visited the ward and played with the children.
- \* Thanks to Cheetal Kershaw for the donation and promise of a monthly debit order to CHOC.
- \* St John's Road Primary visited the ward.
- \* Border Nomads bowlers donated toys to the children
- \* North and Robertson have made an additional cash donation to us.
- \* Thanks to Chantelle Schwedhelm and Braddin Ley for the clothes donation.
- \* Ermie Pascoe of Simple Lines donated fabric samples to be used by our moms sewing group.
- \* Cheryl Wittstock donated a camp cot, puzzles and clothing.
- \* Gonubie Baptist ladies donated items for the care bags.
- \* Shirley Rodent for the beautiful crocheted blankets.
- \* Stutterheim High School visited the ward and played with the children and made an incredible donation of R5146.70 to CHOC!!
- \* Also thanks to Mr and Mrs Arthur Bennett who donated R100 in memory of the late Michael Godwin.
- \* Selborne College Cycle Marathon for CHOC took place at Vincent Park from 8am – 8pm it created fantastic awareness for CHOC and raised money for their fundraising trip. The Selborne College cyclists leave CT on 28 March and arrive back in EL on 3 April – we wish them lots of luck and a safe journey.



The EL Cake Icing Guild visited C5 and the children had great fun icing cakes



The Heather Cooper School of Ballet held an art exhibition fundraiser and donated R 500 to CHOC

Life St Dominic's Hospital Staff have once again recognized our needs and their CIP Committee have arranged for CD/ Radio/Tape players to be placed in the bedrooms and have also promised us a R500 meat donation every month.



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