

School **Fundraising Pack** 

Inside we have lots of ideas to help you and your school raise money to support people with inherited sight loss.

**RETINA**UK.org.uk

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## WE NEED YOU!

Retina UK is the only UK charity dedicated solely to working for people affected by inherited sight loss.

This means we support people who are losing their sight from a condition passed down through their family. We also try to find treatments.

We can only do this with your help. This pack contains lots of ideas for you to get involved at your school.

For more information about Retina UK please visit our website www.RetinaUK.org.uk



£18

Could pay for our helpline to run for one day



£170

Could pay for a researcher for one day



£430

Could pay for putting our newsletter, Look Forward, on CD



£1,500

Could pay for an information and support event



£25,000

Could pay for a researcher to grow a retina in a dish - this is the part of the eye affected

## **FUNDRAISING IS FUN!**



There are so many different ways you can fundraise for Retina UK. We have included some of our ideas in this pack, we think they are really fun ways to fundraise!

From sports events to cake sales, there are so many activities you could do to help people who have inherited sight loss. You don't have to use the ideas in this pack though. If you have any others we would love to hear about them.

We also love to hear all about your fundraising, so make sure you take plenty of photographs and let us know about your events!

## **FUNDRAISING IDEAS**

#### **BLINDFOLD GAMES**

Try out some sports that people with sight loss take part in, like guide running. Pay an entry fee and take it in turns in pairs to be blindfolded. Or you could hold a table tennis competition wearing sim specs, which will show you what tunnel vision is like!





#### **SPONSORED WALK**

Set yourselves a challenge to walk for a mile or a distance of your choice. You could take part blindfolded or wearing sim specs, taking it in turns to guide each other during the walk!

#### **SIM SPECS DAY**

Spend the day taking it in turns to wear sim specs and find out what it's like to live with tunnel vision. Ask friends and family members to sponsor you to take part and experience what it would be like to have sight loss.



## **FUNDRAISING IDEAS**

#### **GET BAKING**

Hold a bake sale or why not have a bake off competition? Sell your cakes to parents, teachers and other students! You could give prizes for the tastiest cake, the best decorated bake, and the most unusual flavour combination! It's a tasty way to raise money!



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#### **TALENT SHOW**

Showcase your talents and sell tickets to raise funds. You could even convince some teachers to put on a show! Why not hold a raffle during the event to raise even more for Retina UK!

#### **NON-UNIFORM DAY**

Set a date and get the whole school involved in a non-uniform day. Ask each student to donate £1 to take part. You could wear your normal clothes or even have a fancy dress day!



## **HOW WE CAN HELP**

Our friendly fundraising team is always on hand to help you out; whether it is answering questions about ideas, or helping to promote your event - we are just a phone call or an email away.



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We can also provide you with items you need to make your event a success! Let us know if you'd like:

- Sim specs
- Collecting tins or buckets
- Retina UK leaflets
- Donation envelopes
- Pens
- Balloons





# THINGS TO REMEMBER

#### **Posters**

Posters are a great way to tell everyone about your fundraiser! We would be happy to send you a Retina UK logo to use, and please also remember to use our Registered Charity Number: 1153851.

#### **Photos**

Please follow your school rules for taking and using photos at your event. We would love to see photos and use them on our social media, but please do make sure there is parental permission for this before you send them to us.

#### **Raffles**

There are lots of rules about raffles, and some require a license from the Gambling Commission, but you won't need one if:

- Tickets are only sold at the event (not before)
- You spend less than £500 on raffle prizes or they are donated
- The winners are drawn at the event or straight afterwards

#### **Health and Safety**

Please make sure you think about the safety of everyone involved, e.g. if someone is blindfolded, ensure there is always someone to guide them, and for a baking challenge, make sure the food is cooked in a clean environment.

### **AFTER THE EVENT**

#### **CELEBRATE!**

You have done something amazing and raised much needed funds which will really help people living with inherited sight loss!

#### **THANK YOU!**

We hope you really enjoyed fundraising for the charity and would love to hear all about it.



Send your money in! Once we've received the money you've raised we will send you a certificate to display in your school.

You can send a cheque made payable to "Retina UK", or pay it directly into our bank account:
Lloyds Bank, Account No: 00202520, Sort Code: 30 18 83

Make sure you let us know it's coming so we can look out for it!

Retina UK, Wharf House, Stratford Road, Buckingham, MK18 1TD

Thank you so much for supporting Retina UK!

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