



Fundraising at School or Youth Group

Whether you're planning a fundraiser at school, youth group or getting together with family and friends, there are lots of fun ways to get involved and make a difference! From bake sales to sponsored challenges, we've got plenty of ideas to help you get started.

If you're under 18, make sure you ask your parent or guardian for permission before you begin.



Christmas or Summer Fair

Bring people together by holding a Christmas or Summer fair selling food and crafts, at your school or in your local community. Ask friends, family and classmates to help you organise and run the event. You could also hold a raffle and ask your classmates, teachers, or local businesses to donate prizes.

Host your own Olympics

Relive the glory of the Games by holding your very own Olympics day. Think: a mini sports day with lots of Olympic-themed touches. You could host a mix of activities for different abilities and tastes. For example, a running race, high jump, long jump, discus-throwing using a frisbee, shot put using mini bean bags, a three-legged race, and archery using a plastic bow and arrow.

Embrace the Olympics theme by asking everyone taking part to pick a country from a hat. For your Olympic torch, you could make a paper cone and fill it with red and orange tissue paper.

No Olympics ceremony is complete without an opening and closing ceremony. Print out flags for each country so people can parade them during your opening ceremony. For your closing ceremony, you can award medals to the lucky winners of each event.



Guess the sweets

It's a sweet, simple idea guaranteed to get tummies rumbling – and donations pouring in! Ask your friends and family, or classmates, to guess how many sweets are in a jar. Whoever makes the nearest guess wins the jar of sweets.





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Non-uniform day

Ditch the blazer and go green for a good cause! Ask your friends and class mates to donate £1 and swap your uniform for something comfortable. Add an extra element of fun and encourage everyone to wear something green. Feeling creative? Dress up as your favourite green character - whether that's a friendly ogre, a famous green witch, or anything else you can imagine!



Bake sale

Channel your inner Mary Berry by hosting your own bake sale. Whip up some tasty treats - including sweet and savoury items - with the help of family, friends and teachers.

When charging for your bake sale, it's a good idea to set prices (for example, 50p for smaller items and £1 for bigger ones). Or ask people to donate what they think each cake is worth (some might be very generous!).

It's also important to clearly label the ingredients in your baked goods. This will help anyone with allergies know what they're buying.

Host a quiz

Quizzes are a fun, easy way to bring people together and raise money for a good cause. First thing's first - finding a venue. You could host your quiz at your school, local sports hall or community hall. If you're hiring an external venue, let the owner(s) know it's for a charity event. They may well let you hire it for free. You could charge people a small entry fee to take part in your quiz. Another great way to boost donations is by selling snacks during the event.

Try having a mix of easy and slightly harder quiz questions, so that everyone can feel involved. You could have 4 rounds of 8 to 10 questions, with different themes for each round. In each round, you could have a "bonus points" question, where you test people's knowledge of famous poets and poetry!



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Hold a fun fitness session

For some sporty fun without the competition, why not hold a fun fitness session? Each person taking part can pay a small donation amount. You could hold a yoga session, dance class or hooplasing class. For added fun, ask everyone taking part in your class to wear something green.



Sponsored silence

Ask friends and family to sponsor you to stay silent for the day, 6 hours, 12 hours, or however long you prefer. You could do it by yourself or with friends for some added support.

Talent show

Get your friends and classmates to showcase their skills by hosting your very own talent show. Some fun ideas include dancing, singing, stand-up comedy, poetry readings and magic tricks.



Do a sports challenge

Fancy bending it like Beckham, or rallying like Raducanu? Sports competitions are a fun, easy way to raise money for a good cause - with a bit of friendly rivalry thrown in!

Choose a sport that's popular, such as football, basketball, netball and tennis. You could host the competition at your school, in your local park or at your local community centre.

Sponsored readathon

Set yourself the challenge of reading a set number of books by a certain date. If you're feeling particularly adventurous, see how many books you can read in 1 weekend. Ask people to sponsor your efforts.

You could have a theme for your readathon – for example, a series of books by the same author, or book titles starting with the letter “S” “P” “L”.

