



Heathfield School 'Pink up the Pennines' with their PTA Ball

Heathfield School in Rishworth has pupils from Lancashire and Yorkshire and this year's PTA Ball raised funds for two breast cancer charities on either side of the border, the Genesis project in Manchester and Breast Cancer Haven in Yorkshire.

Based in Leeds, Breast Cancer Haven provides anyone affected by breast cancer across Yorkshire and beyond, a free programme of counselling, complementary therapies, support and information to meet the physical and emotional needs of breast cancer. In Yorkshire alone, 4,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year.

Kay Baxter, PTA Vice Chair handed over a cheque for a wonderful £2,394 to Breast Cancer Haven. "It was fun to have a pink theme this year and even the gentlemen joined in with their 'hint of pink' bow ties. The great prizes we secured, plus the support from all the guests on the night show this is a cause close to many people's hearts," said Kay.

It costs on average £1,400 to provide a personalised programme for Visitors coming to our Havens. Our specialist services are known to make a huge difference to people's lives at what is often the most difficult time. This fantastic donation from the Heathfield's "Touch of Pink" Ball will mean more women with breast cancer are supported by our expert therapists and counsellors.

Breast Cancer Haven receives no government funding and relies entirely on charitable donations and fundraising events to meet all our costs. "We are thrilled that Heathfield School chose to 'Pink up the Pennines' with their fundraising," comments Julie Harrington, Yorkshire Fundraising Manager. "The money raised will directly support and help anyone dealing with breast cancer who visits the Haven".

To find out about other Breast Cancer Haven fundraising opportunities, please contact Julie Harrington on 0113 2847803 or email jah@breastcancerhaven.org.uk

Photo shows (left to right): Simone Wadcock - PTA Chair, Kay Baxter – PTA Vice Chair, Louise Jamieson - PTA Member and Julie Harrington, Breast Cancer Haven Fundraising Manager.

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Notes to Editors:

- Breast Cancer Haven supports the physical and emotional needs of anyone affected by breast cancer and its associated treatment by providing a free programme of complementary therapies, support, counselling and information at its Havens before, during and after conventional medical care.
- Working alongside the NHS and other healthcare professionals Havens promote integrated breast cancer care where conventional and complementary medicine work together to heal the body and mind.
- The charity was founded in 1997 and we currently have Havens in London, Hereford and Leeds.

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