

WIPE YOUR TEARS

England & Wales · Charity number 1103897

Details

Other names THE WIPE YOUR TEARS CHILDRENS CHARITY

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2004-05-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO FURTHER SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS THE TRUSTEES DETERMINE FROM TIME TO TIME IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOREGOING BY:1. RELIEVING SERIOUSLY AND TERMINALLY ILL CHILDREN (AND THEIR FAMILIES OR CARERS) IN NEED, HARDSHIP OR DISTRESS;2. PROTECTING AND PRESERVING THEIR HEALTH; AND BY3. ADVANCING THE EDUCATION OF THE WIDER PUBLIC IN THE NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS OF SERIOUSLY ILL AND TERMINALLY ILL CHILDREN (AND THAT OF THEIR FAMILIES OR CARERS).

Activities: We help seriously and terminally ill children through end of life wishes, support or other charitable requests. We also offer support and help to families of underprivileged children.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE ENGLAND AND WALES.
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-08-31 | £142,634 | £134,753 | - | - |
| 2024-08-31 | £127,720 | £121,130 | - | - |
| 2023-08-31 | £124,499 | £124,004 | - | - |
| 2022-08-31 | £135,000 | £135,000 | - | - |
| 2021-08-31 | £110,523 | £126,881 | - | - |
| 2020-08-31 | £144,000 | £130,800 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---------------------|------|------------|
| Kathryn Worthington | | 2018-03-01 |
| Mark Foster | | 2017-10-12 |
| Paul Hutchins | | 2017-10-12 |

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**Year Ended
31 August 2025**

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Thank you again so much

From Darren and Freya

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11th June 2026

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|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | 01 Sep 24 | 01 Sep 23 |
| <u>Notes</u> | <i>from:</i> | | 31 Aug 25 | 31 Aug 24 |
| | <i>to:</i> | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| donations | 141,457 | | 141,457 | 122,705 |
| fundraising events | 1,150 | | 1,150 | 2,415 |
| grants | | | | |
| investment income | 27 | | 27 | 24 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 142,634 | | 142,634 | 125,144 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | |
| charitable activities | 86,539 | | 86,539 | 69,194 |
| cost of fundraising events | 437 | | 437 | 220 |
| cost of generating income | 16,881 | | 16,881 | 15,680 |
| administration | 30,896 | | 30,896 | 38,591 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 134,753 | | 134,753 | 123,685 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Net Income | 7,881 | 7,881 | | 1,459 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | |
| cash at bank at end of period | | 11,655 | 11,655 | 5,499 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| donations in kind at end of period | 9,960 | | 9,960 | 370 |
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Ethan and Bailey – 16 & 14 years old

Humankind received a referral for Ethan and Bailey who lost their Father and Mother within a couple of years of each other; therefore, Ethan took over the care of Bailey who has severe autism and attends a special school, Ethan quickly had to step up to care for his brother very suddenly.

Ethan had to give up college and is not able to work because Bailey needs a lot of care and supervision, Humankind worked with the family on lots of areas of need and identified that they were in financial difficulty.

Christmas was looming and Humankind referred to Wipe Your Tears Charity for any financial help towards Ethan and Bailey’s wellbeing.

Wipe your tears provided monitors for gaming and schoolwork, a cash gift and an Asda gift card, Ethan and Bailey were forever grateful as were Humankind, if this was unable to happen the family would have really struggled significantly, Wipe Your Tears were able to make this happen enabling Ethan and Bailey to have a Christmas which they had struggled with since the passing of their mother.

Ethan and Bailey and myself cannot thank Wipe Your Tears enough for the lovely kind gesture, such a brilliant well needed charity.

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27th May 2025

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| | <i>to:</i> | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| donations | 125,281 | | 125,281 | 116,732 |
| fundraising events | 2,415 | | 2,415 | 4,583 |
| grants | | | | 3,160 |
| investment income | 24 | | 24 | 24 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 127,720 | | 127,720 | 124,499 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | |
| charitable activities | 69,069 | | 69,069 | 78,498 |
| cost of fundraising events | (2,203) | | (2,203) | 1,614 |
| cost of generating income | 15,680 | | 15,680 | 16,021 |
| administration | 38,610 | | 38,610 | 27,867 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 121,129 | | 121,129 | 124,004 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Net Income | 6,591 | 6,591 | | 496 |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | |
| cash at bank at end of period | | | 5,499 | 4,041 |
| | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| donations in kind at end of period | | | 370 | 370 |
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23rd June 2024

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|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | | | 01 Sep 22 | 01 Sep 21 |
| | | | | 31 Aug 23 | 31 Aug 22 |
| <i>Income</i> | | | | | |
| donations | | 116,732 | | 116,732 | 128,287 |
| fundraising events | | 4,583 | | 4,583 | 1,972 |
| grants | | 3,160 | | 3,160 | 4,576 |
| investment income | | 24 | | 24 | 1 |
| | | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | | 124,499 | | 124,499 | 134,836 |
| | | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| <i>Expenditure</i> | | | | | |
| charitable activities | | 78,502 | | 78,502 | 89,209 |
| cost of fundraising events | | 1,614 | | 1,614 | 2,871 |
| cost of generating income | | 16,021 | | 16,021 | 15,477 |
| administration | | 27,867 | | 27,867 | 27,743 |
| | | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | | 124,004 | | 12,4004 | 135,300 |
| | | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net Income | | (496) | (496) | | (464) |
| | | | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | | |
| cash at bank at end of period | | <hr/> | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | 4,041 | | 4,041 | 5,565 |
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the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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9th April 2024

**Statement of Financial Activities
Year Ending 31 August 2022**

| | <u>Notes</u> | <i>Unrestricted</i> | <i>Restricted</i> | <i>Total</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | 01 Sep 21 | 01 Sep 20 |
| | | | | 31 Aug 22 | 31 Aug 21 |
| Income | | | | | |
| donations | | 128,287 | | 128,287 | 77,999 |
| fundraising events | | 1,972 | | 1,972 | 1,630 |
| grants | | 4,576 | | 4,576 | 30,894 |
| investment income | | 1 | | 1 | - |
| | | <hr/> | | | |
| Total | | 134,836 | | 134,836 | 110,523 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| charitable activities | | 89,209 | | 89,209 | 89,926 |
| cost of fundraising events | | 2,871 | | 2,871 | 188 |
| cost of generating income | | 15,477 | | 15,477 | 14,523 |
| administration | | 27,743 | | 27,743 | 22,245 |
| | | <hr/> | | | |
| Total | | 135,299 | | 135,299 | 126,881 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| Net Income | | (464) | | (464) | (16,358) |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | | |
| cash at bank at end of period | | <hr/> | | 5,565 | 6,270 |
| donations in kind at end of period | | <hr/> | | 24,160 | 24,560 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |

Notes to the Accounts

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WIPE YOUR TEARS

England & Wales - Charity number 1103897

Accounts

**Wipe Your Tears
Charity No: 1103897**

**Year Ended
31 August 2021**

Report and Accounts

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| Full Charity name | Wipe Your Tears |
| Chief Executive | Wendy Hutchins |
| Trustees | Mark Foster (appointed 12 October 2017) Paul Hutchins (appointed 12 October 2017) Kathryn Worthington (appointed 12 March 2018) |
| Offices | 1 st Floor Office, Healthcall House 25 Bolton Road, Salford M6 7HL |
| Contact | 08433 082 898 <u>wendy@wipeyourtears.org.uk</u> |
| Website | <u>www.wipeyourtears.org.uk</u> |
| Bankers | CAF Bank (Part of Charities Aid Foundation) |
| Independent examiner | Mr D A McCormick Perdata Limited 16 Brookfield Drive Worsley Manchester M28 1JY |

**Wipe Your Tears
Annual Report
Year Ending 31 August 2021**

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Emaan is 10-year-old little girl who and attends the Orchards special school. She has global developmental delay and has limited, controlled movement of her arms and hands. Emaan loves her friends and staff at school and is very keen to communicate with them. She has been doing this by her sounds, facial expressions, and eye movements. We had been using low tech communication devices to help Emaan learn some symbols and point to them with her eyes. However, we really wanted to be able to help Emaan communicate more independently by having her own eye gaze communication technology.

Thanks to the generosity of Wipe your tears who contributed most of the funding necessary we have been able to do just that!

We are incredibly grateful for their support.

Emaan now has this technology set up on her wheelchair. She is practicing all her eye gaze skills on a range of games such as eye pointing and fixing on pictures. Alongside the games she has the app snap core first set up which adults are modelling to her and introducing new and more symbols to her so that in the future she will be able to eye point at specific symbols and the device will speak Emaan's message.

She is working towards the fantastic goal of independent communication thanks to Wipe Your Tears!

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|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
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| | | | <i>from:</i> | | 31 Aug 21 | 31 Aug 20 |
| | | | <i>to:</i> | | | |
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| fundraising events | | | 1,630 | | 1,630 | 3,981 |
| grants | | | 30,894 | | 30,894 | 33,033 |
| | | | | | | - |
| investment income | | <i>Total</i> | 110,523 | | 110,523 | 144,064 |
| Expenditure | | | | | | |
| charitable activities | 4 | | 89,926 | | 89,926 | 88,732 |
| cost of fundraising events | | | 188 | | 188 | 1,853 |
| cost of generating income | | | 14,523 | | 14,523 | 14,268 |
| administration | 5 | | 22,245 | | 22,245 | 25,955 |
| | | <i>Total</i> | 126,881 | | 126,881 | 130,809 |
| | | <i>Net Income</i> | (16,358) | | (16,358) | (16,358) |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | | | |
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| fundraising events | | 3,981 | | 3,981 | 34,173 |
| grants | | 33,033 | | 33,033 | 5,200 |
| investment income | | <i>Total</i> 144,064 | | 144,064 | 139,326 |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| charitable activities | 4 | 88,732 | | 88,732 | 91,413 |
| cost of fundraising events | | 1,853 | | 1,853 | 16,211 |
| cost of generating income | | 14,268 | | 14,268 | 13,353 |
| administration | 5 | 25,955 | | 25,955 | 33,950 |
| | | <i>Total</i> 130,809 | | 130,809 | 154,927 |
| | | | | <i>Net Income</i> 13,254 | (15,601) |
| Assets and Liabilities | | | | | |
| cash at bank at end of period | 6 | | | 22,629 | 9,376 |
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