



## Charities Policy

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**2011-12**

*This policy applies to Early Years Foundation Stage, Junior School and Senior School.*

The overall aim of the Charities Policy is to encourage a caring attitude and sense of social responsibility among the school community, and to broaden girls' horizons.

Charitable activity at Hollygirt School falls into three categories:

1. The selection and support of a whole school annual charity. The choice of annual charity is discussed at the School Forum, but the final decision rests with the Headmistress, after consultation with the Head of Juniors. The annual charity will normally have local connections, and be selected as likely to appeal to the school community. The school does support overseas charities from time to time. Money raised by Form events and contributions from the Harvest Festival, Carol Service, Christmas Fair and Summer Concert, are normally given to the annual charity.
2. From time to time other charitable activities are supported when in the opinion of the Headmistress neither parents nor girls are likely to be overburdened. Support may be given in a variety of ways. Examples might include a display on a notice board to increase awareness; a one-off collection when there has been a disaster or participation in a national day.
3. The Junior School has established a number of charitable links that raise the younger girls' awareness at particular times of the year. Examples include the Rally shop at the Harvest Festival and support for the Rainbows' Children's Hospice at Christmas.

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