



Fundraising Pack



LINK
EDUCATION

TRANSFORMING LIVES
THROUGH LEARNING



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Welcome!

Thank you for choosing to fundraise for us. There are so many fun ways to get involved and help to improve the life chances of thousands of children – and this is the perfect place to get started. Every pound you raise will make an incredible difference towards making lasting, sustainable improvements in education in some of the most marginalised communities in the world.

This guide is packed full of hints and tips to support you on your fundraising journey but if there's anything else we can help you with please get in touch by emailing hello@linkededucation.org.uk

Thank you and good luck!

The Link Team



About Link

- Link is Scotland's leading international education charity.
- In the past three years alone, Link has trained almost 10,000 teachers and has reached nearly 600,000 children across Ethiopia, Malawi, Rwanda and Uganda.
- Our mission is to make the right to quality education a reality for every child – and with your support we believe we can!

Every little counts

£10

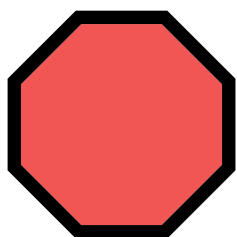
could provide six hours of tutorials for girls to catch up on missed learning



Get Started

Go the distance

Whether you walk, run, swim or cycle – challenge yourself for Link.



Give something up

It might be chocolate or that annoying habit – try not doing something. If you're a chatterbox, a sponsored silence can go a long way!

Cook up a storm

Everyone loves some food. Arrange a 'Come Dine With Me' challenge or host a coffee morning for a yummy fundraiser.



Get physical

Organise a golf day or a friendly cycle race for some sporting action that's perfect for colleagues.



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£15

could provide a primary school girl in Ethiopia with exercise books, pens and a school uniform so she is ready to learn

Get Started



Puzzle it out

Host a quiz and charge entry per team, or get the gang together for a donation-based board game night.

Change for change

A collection is one of the easiest ways to raise money. Add up small change to make a big difference.



Swap shop

Clear the clutter and make it count. Swap books, clothes or even recipes for a fun way to raise money and maybe uncover a treasure too.

Raise the stakes

Sporting events or TV competitions are a great excuse for a sweepstake but be warned – Eurovision can get pretty competitive!



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could fund a month's bursary for a vulnerable child, who otherwise would not be able to attend school

Doing something different?

If you've got a great fundraising idea, we'd love to hear all about it. Get in touch with our team at

hello@linkededucation.org.uk

so we can support you every step of the way.

Decide how to collect the donations

You can set up a Facebook fundraiser to allow people to make donations quickly and easily online. The other option is to request that people make a donation online via the Link website and leave a message in the notes field with your name or name of the challenge so we can help you keep track of your total. Make sure to let us know before you get started so we can add everything up! They just need to visit www.linkeducation.org.uk/donate

Maximise fundraising: Gift Aid

For Gift Aid eligible donations, you can increase the value by 25%, at no extra cost to your supporters

Steps to success:

- **Set a target** A simple trick is to set a target. Supporters will be more likely to contribute if they can track your progress so be ambitious – we'll help you smash it!
- ◆ **Tell your story** Tell everyone what you're doing and why. Making things personal means people will want to support you.
- **Share your efforts far and wide** Now you're ready to go, don't be shy in spreading the word. Let everyone know what you're up to so they can get donating.

Maximise fundraising: Match-Giving

Some employers will match what you raise so be sure to check and you could make double the difference



Spread the word

Now it's time to spread the word to all your friends, family and followers. With our simple tips, you'll be smashing your target in no time.

Keep it interesting

Whether it's delicious prep for your bake sale or gruelling training for your physical challenge, sharing updates on your progress will keep up your fundraising momentum without getting repetitive.

Link it to Link

Another great way to engage your audience is to share with a quote or price point to show the incredible difference your money can make. We have plenty of bite-size stats available to help.

Use our 'In Aid of Link' logo

Get in touch to download our logo and proudly display it on your fundraising materials so everyone knows who you're raising money for.



Get Social!

Share your progress and personal appeals on social media to get your network interested. Don't forget to include a link to the donation page every time for donations at the click of a button.

Facebook



Update all your friends on your fundraising adventure and why it's so important to you and they'll be sure to help out.

Twitter



Short and sweet updates keep things fresh – especially if you can live tweet through your event. Don't forget to tag us!

LinkedIn



Make sure your colleagues are in on the action too – especially if it's a workplace event or you can use match-giving to make gifts go further.

WhatsApp



Chances are, your audience are viewing content on their mobile. Pop the donation link into your group chats for easy access to that donate button.

Follow Team Link, tag us in your posts and we could feature your fundraising!




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We're here to help

Whatever you're planning, please get in touch with us so we know about your fundraising and can support you every step of the way.

-  **Send money securely**

A BACS transfer is easiest, since the money comes straight to us. Please bank offline donations and then set up a transfer to Link – get in touch for our bank details. Alternatively you can send us a cheque – along with your completed sponsor forms – in the post.
-  **Get fundraising materials**

We have lots of wonderful materials and resources to help you fundraise. If you'd like to find out what's available and place an order, email hello@linkededucation.org.uk to talk to a member of the team.
-  **Keep us updated**

Tag us on social media so we can join in the fun. Afterwards, why not write a blog about your fundraising experience? We may be able to feature it on our website.
-  **Stay safe and legal**

You can find some useful guidance for compliance, safety and success at <https://fundraisingregulator.org.uk/code> but there may be other things to consider to get the most out of your fundraising. Please note there are strict laws relating to lotteries, raffles and street collections. If there's anything you're unsure about, please don't hesitate to contact the team at hello@linkededucation.org.uk



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we are helping to improve the life chances of
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