



St Wilfrid Lodge NEWS

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St Wilfrid Supporting Martin House



Thanks to the Funds raised at this year's very successful social events, St Wilfrid Lodge's Worshipful Master Gerry Holiday was delighted to make donations on behalf of the Lodge to two of Yorkshire's important charities, Martin House and Yorkshire Cancer Research, each receiving £400. Gerry and Gillian were pleased to be able to visit the Hospice to make the donation in person to Community Fundraiser Bhranti Naik. They were also honoured to be able to make a short tour of the Hospice and see for themselves the excellent

facilities and get a flavour of the wonderful work undertaken at Martin House
Once again a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who has been able to support this
year's events and make these donations possible.



The vision of Martin House became a reality thanks to the dedication of the
Venerable Richard M. C. Seed, Archdeacon of York, and to the generosity of
thousands of people who raised money.



The hospice was formally opened by the Duchess of Kent in 1987. The founding
Head Nurse, Lenore Hill, was appointed one year prior to the opening. This
meant that right from the start she played an integral role in shaping the
development of Martin House to fully meet the needs of the children and their
families.

The impact on a family in which there is a child with a life-limiting illness is
difficult to imagine, but Martin House are committed to being alongside the
children and families in a way which is as flexible as possible. They have worked
collaboratively with many different families over the years and they have
helped develop and fine-tune what Martin House are able to offer and to
expand the range of services available.



When Martin House opened its doors to children and their families in 1987, it became only the second children's hospice in the UK. Since that time they have played a leading role in the development of the philosophy and delivery of children's hospice care, not only in the UK but throughout the world. A commitment to innovative development and the delivery of high quality, child and family led services continued with the opening of Whitby Lodge in 2002, the UK's first unit for teenagers and young people.

Martin House is a purpose-built hospice for children, young people and their families. They take referrals from the Yorkshire region and aim to support and care for families in which there is a child with a life-limiting condition. There is no charge to families that use Martin House.



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