

WE ALSO HELP THE CHILDREN ON OUR SCHEME IN OTHER WAYS:

Each disadvantaged child of a seafarer on our Family Support Scheme will receive:

School Uniform Grant

This is given in August to provide each child with a new school uniform to return to school in. This goes some way to helping each child feel equal amongst their school friends and increases their confidence and self esteem in comparison to returning in second hand clothes.

Child Welfare Grant

Each child receives a monthly Welfare Grant to help with everyday children's expenses allowing them to continue with sporting/music lessons during those difficult times. However in the current economic climate our families often use this grant for balanced meals and heating.

Christmas Grant

The Trustees of the Society give each child a small grant at Christmas to ensure no one is forgotten at this special time of year.

Caravan Holiday

Each family is offered the opportunity of a caravan holiday at one of the nine caravans the Society owns throughout the United Kingdom. We always give priority to our new families as it gives them the chance to bond and spend time together away from the stresses of the usual home environment. All our children get the chance to make new friends and try new activities whilst on holiday.

Family Visitor Programme

When a family needs more support than purely financial, we help in a number of ways from spending time just listening to providing links to other specialist organisations or accompanying parents to those hard to face meetings.



Did you know ?

As an 'island nation' the UK has always been dependent on seafarers. Our ports industry is the largest in Europe employing around 70,000 people whose jobs depend on vital seaborne imports and exports.

More than 95% of UK imports are carried by ship.

Supporting children from
Royal Navy, Merchant Navy, Fishing Fleets, Oil
Rigs and Cruise Ships for
200 years.



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Caring for Seafarers' Children for 200 years



*Christmas Appeal
2021*



Dear Supporter

This year has continued to be challenging for everyone. Since the last Christmas Appeal, we have continued to support families living in poverty in additional ways whilst helping over 700 children, the highest number ever.

When the schools remained closed, we continued to help families with an additional grant of £10 per week per child for the additional food and heating costs for the children.

We also provided slow cookers and recipes to help with cheap nutritional meals during the cold months. As we approached Christmas we recognised that for a great many families, a Christmas Lunch was no longer affordable and we therefore provided a food parcel to cover this along with something for Boxing Day as well.

2021 is our 200 Bicentenary year and it wasn't quite as we had planned it. We have however managed to reach out to all the children we support to participate in a 200 Readathon using a £10 book voucher, which was great fun for all the children involved.

The pandemic has hit the fundraising of many charities extremely hard with cancelled events and reduced donations. This year your help is even more important than ever.

All donations from this Christmas Appeal will go directly towards the Winter Clothing grant of £55 per child to help provide warm winter coats and shoes for those children we help. If a parent shops wisely, then there may be monies left to also purchase hat, scarf and gloves or wellington boots. The majority of the families we support do not have a car and therefore warm, waterproof clothing is extremely important during the winter months using public transport or walking.

Thank you very much for anything you can donate, no matter how big or small, as every single donation counts.

With very best wishes to you and your family in these challenging times, stay safe and a Merry Christmas to you.



**WITH VERY BEST WISHES FOR
THE FESTIVE SEASON**

Our work

Last Christmas the Society provided each family with a Christmas Food Hamper, the response from the families was so great we will be sending out another one this year.



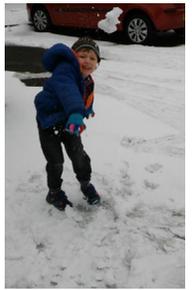
Message from Gail - The food hamper over Christmas made her and Charlie's Christmas we are so grateful for the support they have received from SCS during 2020. The staff are compassionate and caring and all heart, thank you again for the support.

To all who supplied food for hamper.
On behalf of my family, thank you for the wonderful food in the hamper sent to me and my two boys. They are looking forward to helping emptying the hamper over festive period. Sailors children's charity and your food hall at Weston's, have helped massive.
Yours



"I wouldn't have been able to be in the place I am today without all of your help and support. You have been amazing in helping me and my children creating a new life. Thank you so much"

I want to help the Sailors' Children's Society 2021 Christmas Appeal



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