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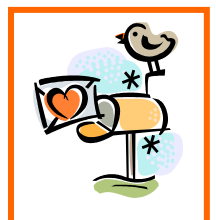
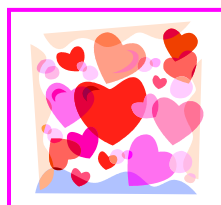
It is with sadness that we bid farewell to Dr Painter as he leaves Ward C5. The CHOC volunteers salute the wonderful work that he has done with the children with cancer at The Frere Hospital. We are certainly going to miss him and we wish him and his family everything of the best for their future ventures!

The staff of ward C5 bid farewell to Dr Painter at a luncheon at the hospital



Selborne Primary Grade 7's have been involved in an entrepreneur programme and donated R3500 to CHOC. In the picture are Mr Abrie Pepler (co-ordinator of the program), Mrs Tracy Miles (head of grade 7), (the two boys who raised the most money in grade 7) and Mrs Debbie Kleinenberg of CHOC.

THE CHOC VOLUNTEERS ATTENDED A **VOLUNTEER TRAINING WORKSHOP** RUN BY ALTA BENCE – NATIONAL CHOC SOCIAL WORKER & JILLIAN GRAHAM AND LYNDA SCHUTTE – CHOC VOLUNTEERS FROM JOHANNESBURG. WE WERE ALSO THRILLED TO HAVE BARBARA AND SONJA FROM CHOC P.E. AND MARGIE AND KERRY FROM REACH FOR A DREAM.



THANK YOU!

Francis & The Knitter Knatter Knitting Club as well the ladies of Gonubie Presbyterian Church for the wonderful items of clothing for the children of Ward C5



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To The Berea Baptist Church's Outreach Programme. This year they celebrate 25 years of serving the community - what a wonderful milestone! The children of Ward C5 have benefited from their donation.

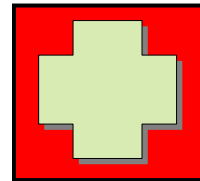


Sharon Boorer of Avroy Schlain shared her hobby of beading with the mother's of C5. Sunday afternoons became fun and productive with her teaching the mom's beading. They can hopefully use this skill to make items for themselves and to sell to supplement their income!



RENOVATIONS IN WARD C5

CHOC East London is thrilled to be able to fund major renovations in C5, these include a total revamp of the bathroom with the installation of a new bath and two showers, an additional toilet being incorporated, tiling of the floors in these areas. Revamp of the Dr's and nurses rooms as well as cupboards and blinds in the kitchen, waiting room and passage plus, plus, plus.... photographs of the upgrade will feature in the next newsletter - **A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR DONORS WHO HAVE ENABLED US TO CARRY OUT THESE VERY NECESSARY RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES.**



MONTHLY INFORMATION ON CHILDREN'S CANCER THE INDUCTION PROGRAMME

Once you are well into a good remission one of two things will happen: maintenance therapy or a bone marrow transplant. If you have ALL, most likely you will be put on a programme of drugs whose job it is to keep you in remission. Maintenance therapy lasts for about three to five years. The treatment may change during this time, depending on what works best for you. Sometimes leukemia comes back (this is called a relapse). When a relapse happens, it's like starting all over again. With relapses it becomes harder and harder to induce remission.

A bone marrow transplant is another form of treatment that can be used when you are in remission. While you have to take many drugs at the time of the transplant and you live in hospital for a while, afterwards you might not have to take any medicine at all.

Maybe you won't go into remission. If your leukemia gets out of control, it can take your life. But, remember: all that is possible to keep you comfortable and free from pain will be done for you.

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