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Press Release

STUDENTS AND STAFF AT CRC RAISE A BUMPER £13,000 FOR CHARITY

Students and staff at Cambridge Regional College have climbed mountains, run marathons, baked cakes and even grown moustaches over the past year – raising a magnificent £13,000 for charity.

They have organised fashion shows, manicured nails, arranged five-course dinners and hiked across the Fens to help others, raising money for injured soldiers, sick children and abandoned youngsters.

As well as scores of charity efforts throughout the year – raising from £30 to £3,000 – there have been hundreds of generous donations of Christmas gifts, helping make the festive season special for children in care in Cambridgeshire and providing presents for children in poverty-stricken Kyrgyzstan.

And hard-working Prince's Trust volunteers not only raised £600 for a new sensory garden for children and young people at Meldreth Manor School – they cleared the land and created the garden themselves.

Students and staff have also spent their free time volunteering in local organisations, providing practical help to others – using their carpentry skills to build a new community radio station - and collecting money, clothes and toys for those in need.

CRC Principal Anne Constantine said the charitable work and fund-raising efforts throughout the college had been magnificent.

“Over the past year, our students and staff have raised more than £13,000 for charity, which is superb. Every event, no matter how small, has made a real difference to someone’s life.

“The College is full of unsung heroes who give their time to help others, both in practical ways and by fund-raising, and I’m very proud that we have such generous students and staff at CRC.”



Fundraising: CRC staff and students took a £3,000 cheque and boxes of toys with them when they spent a week helping street children in Morocco.

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is one of the largest providers of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students, coming from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk. Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College has one of the largest work-based learning contracts in the eastern region.