

A-Z of fundraising ideas

Thinking of what your next team activity might be to fundraise for Once Upon a Smile? We have here for you some suggestions to help you get things started with this handy A-Z.



A

Abseil - reach new heights with an abseiling challenge, check out our [events page](#) and see if we have an event already organised, or we can help you get something set up.

Afternoon tea - who doesn't enjoy a brew and some cake, especially if it's helping to raise money for Once Upon a Smile.

B

B.I.N.G.O - there's a few more inventive ways to play the game these days. But remember, gamble responsibly!

Birthday giving - Encourage family and friends, work colleagues and the next door neighbour to give a gift that will make a huge difference to bereaved children.

C

Working at the CAR WASH -do do do do do do do. Get out your buckets and sponges and get washing your colleagues' cars at work.

For those fans of a cocktail or mocktail, why not get your best Tom Cruise impression on and organise a cocktail evening. Shake Shake!



D

The classics always work! Ask everyone to donate a set amount to dress down for the day (or try dress up day too!). A great idea for work or school.

E

It won't be nil £ if you organise a Eurovision party or sweepstake. Get your groove on and give participants a little bit more by hosting at local venue or keep it a little more local and get the party started with a house party.

F

GOAL!!! Organise a local five a side competition. Ask your local sports club if you can use their field or hall for your event and get some teams signed up. It has great health benefits and is a great team fundraiser.

G

Guess the number of... the list is endless but here a few we thought of: sweets in a jar, coins in a jar or balloons in a car. Anything in a jar is easy and the closest guess wins the jar. Charge £ per guess and make sure you raise more than what the jar and filling it cost.

H

Donate an hour of earnings: challenge yourself and colleagues to donate an hour of their pay.

I

Host your very own international food night. Either in the office, at home or at a local venue.

J

Like music? Take in some smooth tunes by setting up your own charity jazz night event.

K

Organise a karaoke night. Charge £ to sing a song and you can even charge for song requests. Make it into one big singathon or competition!

L

We have a weekly lottery which anyone aged over 18 can take part in. Every week a % of money is given to Once Upon a Smile and you can win some £ too! [Find out more HERE](#) Remember to gamble responsibly.





M

Masquerade ball-oooh who doesn't love a bit of mystery, dancing and fine food whilst raising funds!

N

If you have items at home lying around that you have never worn or used. hold a nearly new sale, you can charge more for every item sold, as it is practically new!

O

Obstacle course. Not ready for tough mudder? Why not have a go at setting up your own obstacle course? Always make sure your course is safe before letting people loose on it!

OR

Office fundraising! There are lots of ways you can fundraise in the office (a lot of which are listed here!). From bake sales and sweepstakes to fancy dress days. Get the whole office involved!

P

Pub Quizzes are already a lot of fun and even more so these days people are turning to online quiz evenings. Why not host your own?

Q

Quit something? If you love to do something, then get sponsored to quit. It could be for a day, a week, a month or a year.

R

Contact a range of businesses, retailers and more and ask for donations. You can then arrange your very own raffle.

S

It's our SMILE MILE of course! Designed originally as a school one-off activity it's actually evolved into a wider event and is fun for all ages.

Challenge yourself to do a mile a day, could be running, hopping, walking, cycling, swimming.

Be creative with it-Smile and have fun 😊



T

For those adventurous ones why not plan your very own treasure hunt out and lead entrants around with clues (make sure to keep the clue locations safe). Ask local businesses to donate prizes that can be given to the top teams.

U

Ultra event-take part in one of the amazing challenge events that take place throughout the UK-[see our events page for details!](#)

V

Variety night-host a talent show with friends, neighbours and/or colleagues, charge an entry fee.

W

Wear orange! Turns out Sidley our bear loves anything orange. Host an orange party, serving orange drinks and treats!

X

Xmas fair or host your very own Christmas Ball. In fact, anything during the season with a winter theme.

Y

Yogathon-like Zumbathon but Yoga!
Not only will you finish the challenge feeling motivated and energised. but you will have also helped to raise money for Once Upon a Smile!

Z

Zany events: Anything goes (within reason!).
Have a cream cracker eating contest (no water allowed), eat jelly with chopsticks; eat a plate of baked beans with a cocktail stick!
Every participant pays to enter and charge or take donations from spectators.



We appreciate your support!