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Press release

Charity teachers prepare for Paris

A group of six teachers at Crofton School in Stubbington began their training this week for a joint entry in April's Paris Marathon.

Headteacher Matthew Leeming, together with Mr Anderson, Miss Burr, Mr Hillier, Miss Noble and Mr O'Dowda form "Team Crofton" and aim to raise additional funds for three charities chosen by students at the 11-16 school: MacMillan Cancer (a well-known national charity which supports both research work and individual cancer sufferers), Chernobyl Support (a local group who invite children from Ukraine to come to England for a break) and Playpumps (an international charity working to provide clean water to families in Africa).

Staff and students at the school, which has a long tradition of successful fundraising raised more than £7,000 during a 'charities week' last term and they now hope to add substantially to that total.

Headteacher Matthew Leeming said: "Students and staff at the school have raised very large amounts of money for a tremendous variety of charities down the years. The marathon idea started as a bit of a joke, but the idea grew on us and we are really excited about it. Two of the team have run marathons before, but for the rest of us, it's an entirely new challenge."

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