



Christmas at Casa Clabile

December saw the end of the academic year in South Africa and we are overjoyed to announce that every student at Casa Clabile passed their end of year exams!

The children enjoyed a celebratory Christmas party that included crackers, party poppers, games and chocolates before breaking up for the holidays.

The icing on the cake came when the students returned for the start of the new school year to be given a very special gift. Thanks to the generosity of Brett Thomson at Sun Safaris, every student received a brand new bicycle. The students were, of course, delighted and now the older children are busy teaching the young ones how to ride them!



Special Thanks to:
Brett at Sun Safaris for donating the bikes

The Goonies Ball

Saturday 31st January was the date and The Star and Garter in Putney South West London the venue of the inaugural Goonies Ball in aid of The Clabile Trust. In all we had about 150 guests for a night of live music, partying, dancing, and maybe the odd drink or two!



The fantastic band Autocue entertained guests with over an hour and a half of barnstorming music, ranging between classic covers and their own songs. After their final encore, DJ Richard Scott kept the crowd moving on the dance floor until the wee hours of Sunday morning. During the evening we held a raffle and an auction, both of which were extremely well supported. Dan Bowyer provided us again with his expert auctioneering skills and we saw a clamour of arms being raised to bid for kindly donated items such as tickets to the 1st day of the England vs. Australia test match at Lords and a signed England football shirt.

Overall it was a really enjoyable evening, and a big thank you to everyone who donated their time and skills.



Special thanks to:
Autocue; Ross, Donny and Rob from Rossco; John Page; Barry Forward; Richard Scott; Dan Bowyer; Clare and David from The Star and Garter; and Katy Goddard, Jeff Ward, Nia Janis, Alex Webb, Simon Couch, Mollie Brooker, David Gale and Natalie Garden for donating raffle and auction prizes

Photos: © Louise May

London 10K Run, 5 July

We've got the T-shirts – we now need the runners!

We have bought 6 places for this year's British 10k London run (www.thebritish10klondon.co.uk)

This race was sold out for the last 4 years – so sign up with us! It's a great length to run, you get fit *and* see London's great landmarks en route, via Trafalgar Square, St Pauls, Big Ben, London Eye, Buck Palace... and finishing at Whitehall.

Sunday 5th July, race starts at 0935 on Picadilly at Hyde Park Corner.

Contact paula@clabiletrust.org if you want to reserve a place – we only have 6!

Quiz night. Quiz night. Quiz night.

This was a roaring success last year; great fun and fully booked – so get your teams booked in now.

Here's your starter for ten...

'What is the only country in the world that has an acronym for a name?'

Teams of up to five people. £30 per team.

Venue: The Star & Garter, Lower Richmond Road, Putney
Date: Thursday, 12 March 009.
Time: Doors open 7pm, quiz starts 7:45

Not only do we promise an awesome quiz, but they'll also be the opportunity to get your hands on one of our amazing auction items including a 32"

plasma television (kindly donated by Bill Bohanna) and a romantic weekend at Cannizaro House (kindly donated by Jeff Ward).

To book your place, contact Sophie on sophie@clabiletrust.org or Paula paula@clabiletrust.org

Wedding Bells

"For our wedding, we decided that since we had so much to be grateful for, we would give our guests an opportunity to donate to a charity in lieu of a wedding gift" writes Richard Altman.

We also decided to donate money to a cause instead of providing our guests with "wedding favours". We were thrilled to have found a charity that so closely mirrors what we ideally would like to support in the world. Natasha was born in South Africa, and we wanted to have an opportunity to

give back to the country in a way that would uplift people and help them to become self-sufficient.

The Clabile Trust allows each child a chance to fulfill his or her potential, strengthening the country one educated person at a time. Our guests loved the idea of supporting a charity that would provide lasting changes to people's lives, and we were thrilled that people chose to donate to **The Clabile Trust**.

We truly enjoyed involving your organization in our wedding celebrations and

hope to continue to contribute to your growth in the years ahead.



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Do you know any companies who may support Clabile through their 'Corporate Social Responsibility' commitments? We may be

able to be their charity of the year, or their employees may be able to support Clabile through internal charity programmes, or a company may be able to donate money or prizes. We can do the hard work and approach

them if you just suggest to us the company or give us a contact. Email paula@clabiletrust.org if you know of any.

Donations are always gratefully received to help us continue building brighter futures for children. Cheques (made payable to 'The Clabile Trust') can be sent to: Beech Tree Cottage, Sutton Place, Abinger Hammer, Surrey RH5 6RL.

You can also donate online by visiting our Just Giving site: <http://www.justgiving.com/clabiletrust/donate>

