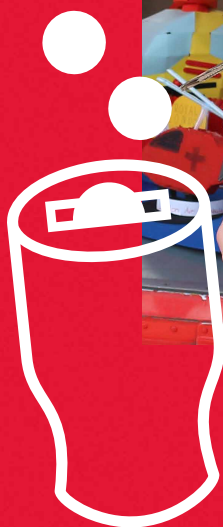




LONDON'S
AIR AMBULANCE
CHARITY



CREATE- A-COPTER

Using arts, crafts and
imagination to help us
be there for London.



WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

London's Air Ambulance Charity is privileged to enjoy a special relationship with schools in London. Our helicopters often land at school sites throughout the capital and our service sadly attends incidents involving school age children across the city.

In this activity, children can choose how they create their copter - whether they build it out of recycled materials or papier-mache, sew a copter costumer, draw or paint a picture or even bake a helicopter-shaped cake - their creativity can run free. Their copters could be realistic replicas of our iconic red helicopter, or they could be magical, futuristic or fantastical creations.

Maybe they'll invent something we could use on our helicopters in years to come!

As well as creating an amazing copter, pupils could write a story, poem or even a song about their helicopter and the adventures it could have.



"THE WHOLE SCHOOL SIGNED UP TO CREATE AMAZING HELICOPTERS AND RAISE VITAL FUNDS. WE REALLY ENJOYED IT AND ALL THE ENTRIES WERE SO SPECIAL. BIG THANKS TO LONDON'S AIR AMBULANCE CHARITY."

Oriel Academy West London

PLANNING YOUR CREATE-A-COPTER ACTIVITY

There are lots of ways you and your pupils can fundraise for London's Air Ambulance Charity while creating your amazing helicopters. Below are just a few ideas:

- + Include a **voluntary donation** for every helicopter design entered by pupils
- + Host a **Create-a-Copter** exhibition and celebrate your pupils' creativity
- + Encourage an entry donation to your exhibition and hold a **bake sale and raffle**
- + Pupils could get their helicopter creations sponsored using our **downloadable sponsorship form**
- + Hold a **quiz evening** for parents and pupils, with a donated entry fee that could be collected through your dedicated online fundraising page. How about parents vs pupils?

IT COSTS APPROXIMATELY £17 MILLION A YEAR TO RUN OUR SERVICE. THANKS TO THE SUPPORT OF LONDON'S SCHOOLS, WE CAN BE THERE WHEN WE'RE NEEDED MOST.



SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOUR LOCAL AIR AMBULANCE CHARITY

- + London's Air Ambulance Charity was founded in 1989. Since then, we've treated over 50,000 patients.
- + We have a 7.5 minutes average flight time and the helicopter can fly anywhere in London (inside the M25) within 11 minutes.
- + Our doctors and paramedics treat an average of six people per day.
- + Five people can fly in our helicopter, including two pilots and three medics.
- + Our helicopter carries the same equipment you would find in a hospital emergency room, so the medics can carry out surgery anywhere in London.
- + Our helicopters have a top speed of 157mph. That's the average speed of a Formula 1 car.

"EVERY YEAR WE PICK A CHARITY TO SUPPORT, BUT IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT FUNDRAISING, IT'S ALSO ABOUT SPREADING AWARENESS AND IMMERSING THE CHILDREN IN SOMETHING IMPORTANT TOO. WE ALWAYS PICK A CHARITY THAT WILL BE MEANINGFUL FOR THE CHILDREN AND WERE PROUD TO SUPPORT LONDON'S AIR AMBULANCE CHARITY THIS TIME AROUND. IT WAS A FABULOUS DAY!"

Annie Thackray, Headteacher
St Christopher's School, Epsom

RESOURCES AND DOWNLOADS

We have created a **range of resources** to help with your Create-a-Copter activity:

- + [Sponsorship forms](#)
- + [A letter template for parents, carers or families](#)
- + [Digital media graphic.](#)

There is also an **FAQ section** on our website.

If you require further information or have a question not covered in our FAQ's section, please contact us at: **community@londonsairambulance.org.uk** and our dedicated team will respond as quickly as possible.



You can contact us with any questions, feedback or requests for further information by email, phone or post.

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