

'Have Fun for Theo' this Summer

Theo Ward, little brother of Evie-Mai, is currently undergoing treatment for a tumour in his eye. James and Lisa, Theo and Evie-Mai's parents, have written Theo's story for us:

In May 2015 our son Theo (2) was diagnosed with having a tumour in his left eye socket, this has now been confirmed as a Rhabdomyosarcoma. This type of cancer develops in the supporting tissues of the body; Theo's is in the muscle of the eye.

This is a rare type of tumour that effects less than 60 people per year in the UK with most being under the age of 10.

Theo is currently having chemotherapy, which involves frequent stays in hospital; he has already had to have a blood transfusion due to the drugs they are having to use.

Theo's tumour cannot be operated on due to its location; therefore there is a huge possibility of us having to go to America for Proton Beam Therapy. We are still uncertain if this will be funded by the NHS.

From James and Lisa Ward.

James and Lisa have set up a facebook page so you can follow Theo's journey:

<https://www.facebook.com/theowardsjourney?ref=ts&fref=ts>

Although only just 2 years old, Theo is very much part of the school community, as he became 'class baby' at the age of only 4 months, making regular visits to school so that the children could follow his development. You can watch a film the class made last year here: [Theo's Second Visit](#)

We would like to support Theo and his family by holding some special fundraising events this summer.

The first is one for the children-

'Have Fun for Theo' The children will all bring home a 'Passport to Fun', which has 10 fun activities for them to do over the summer holidays, and includes a sponsor form. We hope that family and friends will sponsor the children to complete each activity, bringing the money they raise into school at the start of next term. Cheques should be made payable to Marlborough School. [#fun4theo](#)



The second is for the grown-ups-

'Falmouth to Florida for Theo' Challenge

Staff at Marlborough School, and Falmouth University, where James works, are aiming to cycle, run, walk, swim (or anything else!) the equivalent mileage from Falmouth to Florida – 4191 miles! We would be very grateful for any support from the Marlborough community! You can follow our progress and make donations if you wish at

<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/falmouthtoflorida>
[#falmouth2florida](#)



Don't forget to tag your instagram pictures, facebook posts and tweets with the hashtags above to share your progress and raise awareness of Theo's journey.

Thank you for your support!