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WHAT IS CHILDRENS CHANCE ABOUT?

It is a Salisbury charity that aims to give children and young people whose families are going through hard times, or who come from disadvantaged backgrounds, the opportunity to do things that would otherwise be denied them, and which can so often be taken for granted.

WHAT SORT OF THINGS?

Anything recreational, cultural or educational:

- ◆ Music, swimming or riding lessons
- ◆ Membership of a club or group, such as football, dance, judo or gymnastics
- ◆ Residential courses or sports tours
- ◆ Individual tennis coaching, and so on...
- ◆ Special £1000 award 'The Bobbie Chettleburgh Grant' – see overleaf

DOES IT INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT?

No, but we would make every effort to supply essential equipment on loan.

IS EVERY CHILD IN SALISBURY ELIGIBLE?

Yes, every child that attends school or lives within a thirty-mile radius of Salisbury Cathedral. This includes parts of Wiltshire, Hampshire and Dorset. Children do not have to show special talent - just enthusiasm!

Our aim is to make the Salisbury region a place where every child can at least have a chance.

HOW DO CHILDREN QUALIFY?

There are no qualifying criteria (such as *means testing*) but evidence of any welfare benefits may be required. The application form should be supported by a caring professional, such as a headteacher, social worker, health visitor, GP or PSA.

Awards are usually given for one term or for short periods such as 6-8 weeks. In most cases we give a proportion of the amount requested, this means that parents or guardians are required to make a contribution. We will consider repeat applications and will fund children on an on-going basis but receipt of one award does not automatically mean funding of another.

For an application form, rules and more information please visit our website at www.childrenschance.co.uk or call 01722 415991.

HOW MUCH OF THE MONEY RAISED ACTUALLY GOES TO THE CHILDREN?

Nearly all of it. The charity has been staffed entirely by volunteers since 1998. However in order to meet growing demand it is likely that one person will be employed part time from 2015.

WHAT WILL BE ACHIEVED BY GIVING A CHILD A CHANCE?

It may make a child *happy*. Perhaps a child in a home or in foster care will have a chance to fulfil a simple dream, such as to ride a horse or go to the theatre. For others it may be the opportunity to develop a real talent (*perhaps Salisbury would produce the next Olympic champion if only given the chance?*) or it may help raise self esteem and prevent social exclusion for children with behavioural difficulties.