Dear Radford Community

**Radford Reaches Out** is our only large fundraiser throughout the year. Donations are given to the organisations below that many Radford College students have, or will have, strong connections with. These connections include: the several ‘G trips’ held every year, where Year 11 and 12 students volunteer in primary schools in Gamilaraay country; the Year 9 and 10 service programs where students work in Black Mountain School and Cranleigh School (schools for students with disabilities), or participate in other activities that they are passionate about within the broader Radford and Canberra communities; and the Radford Tribal Council in the Junior School.

We urge you to donate to this fundraiser where 100% of donations will go directly to one of the charitable organisations outlined below. Give once, give generously.

To donate to **Radford Reaches Out** online click [here](#). Online donations over $20 will receive a tax receipt from the organisation where the donation is allocated.

As well as being able to donate online, Junior School students will be issued with/ make a money box to assist with donation collection. More information will be provided to families in the coming days.

Secondary School students are encouraged to bring any cash donations to their Tutor Group on Foundation Day (Thursday 9th April).

Yours in the spirit of giving

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*Details of organisations supported follow.*
DONATIONS SUPPORT THESE PROGRAMS

Anglicare Bushfire Relief
As our whole community is aware, this summer has been the worst bushfire season Australia has ever experienced. Many families in our local and wider community have been affected, as well as wildlife and our surrounding environment. The Anglicare Bushfire Relief supports communities in affected regions, helps families who were directly affected and provides long-term relief.

Ekipa Tasi Mos Atauro (Timor-Leste)
A local community-run ocean plastic recycling project on Atauro Island which generates local community-based income and environmental security for the people of Timor-Leste.

Cancer Council (Relay for Life)
The Cancer Council is an Australian not-for-profit charity that raises vital funds for cancer research, prevention, and support. Many Year 11 and Year 12 students participate in The Relay for Life event, last year Radford teams raised over $20,000.

Leukaemia Foundation (World’s Greatest Shave)
The Leukaemia Foundation is an Australian charity that raises money for blood cancer, with the goal of ‘No lives lost to Blood Cancer by 2035’. The Radford ‘World’s Greatest Shave’ event is held in March every year. This year, over 40 participants have registered. It is an important Radford community event that raises vital funds for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Gunawirra (Gamilaraay country)
Gunawirra is a non-for-profit organisation that empowers Indigenous families and communities in Gamilaraay country. One of their focuses is supporting children and their families in the early years of childhood. Radford has a long-lasting relationship with Gunawirra foundation - our 26th G trip is happening this June.

L’Arche Genesaret ACT (L’Arche Disco)
L’Arche Genesaret ACT is a charity that supports adults with intellectual disabilities. The money we raise goes towards two annual discos the Year 11 cohort holds every year, which older teenagers and adults with intellectual disabilities are invited to attend. We also get almost 100% attendance from each Year 11 cohort, supporting the guests.

Black Mountain School
Black Mountain School is a public high school for students with disabilities. As a part of the Year 10 service program, many students volunteer their time and assist in a classroom. As well as this, we have a number of BMS Sports Days throughout the year, held at Radford, which many Radford students from Years 9-12 participate in.

Cranleigh School
Cranleigh School is a public primary school for children with disabilities. Along with contribution at Black Mountain School, volunteering in classrooms at Cranleigh is a part of the Year 9 and 10 service programs, and many students participate in this particular program.
OzHarvest ACT
Ozharvest provides support and food rescue for people in need across Australia. As a part of the Year 9 and 10 service programs, students volunteer to cook meals after school which we directly donate to OzHarvest, and the meals are provided to people struggling in Canberra.

Companion House
Companion House works with adults and children who have sought refuge in Australia due to persecution faced in their home countries. Services that Companion House provides include medical, counselling and legal advice. Radford has a close relationship with Companion House and our community has donated for many years.

Anglicare Winter Appeal
Anglicare is a Christian charity that provides a range of services to the community. The winter and pantry appeals seek donations for food and essential living items and are donated to those who do not have access to them. In Year 8 a sleepout is held in the gym that provides a service experience to Year 8s to learn about issues facing people who are homeless in Canberra.

Pegasus RDA
Pegasus is a local charity that provides horse-riding opportunities to children with disabilities. Almost all students at Black Mountain and Cranleigh schools have the opportunity to participate in the Pegasus program, and due to this we are closely related to the Pegasus charity. The money raised in Radford Reaches Out and donated to Pegasus provides and cares for 1 horse for children to ride on.

Junior School Radford Tribal Council (RTC)
The RTC helps classes to take action by supporting local, national and international organisations. RTC representatives bring requests based on what they’ve been learning about during their inquiries in their classrooms. In previous years, donations have included a Koala Hospital, ‘One Girl’ which focuses on getting girls to school throughout the world, and drought relief for Australian farmers.

Compassion Australia
The Junior School also sponsors (and corresponds with) three children, Jose from Brasil, Antia from Ghana and Althia from the Philippines. Our support enables them to go to school, eat healthy meals and see a doctor when they’re sick.

Crisis Response
Some funds raised in the Radford Reaches Out fundraiser are also used for crisis response to local, national or international humanitarian needs or natural disasters often through Anglicare, Red Cross or Doctors without Borders.

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