

## SUTTON SOUP 12 - 24th January 2019



Well, we can hardly believe it but Sutton Soup 12 broke our record again, raising a fantastic £1160.

We are so grateful to our sponsors –

[Sainsbury's](#), [Cheam Financial Planning](#), [Apple Mortgage Solutions](#) and [Reliance Bank](#) - for making this monster pot possible.

Not forgetting [Cheam Celebration of Food and Drink](#) – pairing up with them back in September was a gift that just keeps on giving!

Our pitchers at Soup 12 were:

- **George and the Giant Pledge** – In January 2017 Vicki and James Woodall received the devastating news that their son George had been diagnosed with cancer. After watching him endure treatment including 14 rounds of chemo and having part of his spine removed, they have somehow decided to make the best of a bad situation and have pledged to raise £1,000,000 to help beat childhood cancer. All the money raised by the campaign will go straight to the children's team at the Royal Marsden.
- **Sutton Opportunity Pre School** – is a small, charity run pre-school with a high number of SEN children, based in Wallington. Muriel pitched and told us how they do not receive any additional funding from the borough and therefore are constantly fundraising in order to purchase equipment and specialist activities to promote their inclusive provision.
- **Three Cheers for Cheers** – is an Epsom based charity which provides discharge hampers for elderly, or home alone, people who have been long term patients and who are discharged from Epsom or St Helier hospital over the Christmas period. We heard from Rowena, the charity's founder, how they provide 70 hampers to Sutton's St Helier hospital annually.
- **The Children's Trust:** For Children with Brain Injury – this is a national charity, with their specialist centre based in Tadworth. They offer rehabilitation to children who have acquired brain injuries through accidents or illness and extend this into supporting them in the community, helping them to reintegrate by working with their schools and families. The Children's Trust offers this vital support to many children within Sutton borough. We heard about this from Fiona who pitched for much needed sensory equipment.

There was a lot of love in the room for all our pitchers but the winner of the £1160 was, in the end, Sutton Opportunity Pre School. Huge congratulations to them – we can't wait to see them again in April to find out what they have done with the money.