



The Chris Cave Foundation

In Memoriam to Chris Cave 1985-2003

Chris Cave was just 17 years old when his life was taken but he had always lived life to the full leaving his loved ones behind with precious memories of his sense of humour, charm and character.

A pupil at St. Dominic's Primary and Sacred Heart Secondary School in Redcar he lived locally and knew everyone!

Always popular with the girls, Chris had a mixed group of friends from both inside and outside school. During school Chris was mischievous, he loved to play the fool, make people laugh and act the class clown but he was loveable. Towards the end of school Chris had a passion for food, he loved to cook!

On leaving school, he got a job at a Sky Call Centre in Middlesbrough and hoped to study at Middlesbrough College to become a chef in the Navy. It was his dream, after only three weeks in his job Chris was murdered but not before he had made an impact in the lives of all who knew him.

His curiosity of life, cheeky nature and terrible (although he would have disagreed) singing voice will be the kinds of memories that warm the hearts of all who loved him now he is no longer here.

It is through the Chris Cave Foundation that we hope to keep his memory alive and his caring spirit is our inspiration to help all those affected by violent crimes.

About Us

On 5th June 2003 Chris Cave was murdered in Redcar, he was stabbed. At the young age of 17, Chris died leaving behind a young brother Thomas aged 2, his mother Theresa, nana and a whole other group of family and friends.

Since then Theresa has been campaigning against knife crime, to introduce stronger laws for those carrying knives and travelling the country with Thomas to talk to other young people about their experiences.

Theresa wanted to create legacy for Chris, something that could help families and communities affected by knifecrime and other violent crimes. In 2008 she founded The Chris Cave Foundation.

In 2010, Thomas won the Child of Courage Award and was presented by James Corden with a certificate congratulating him on his work campaigning against violent crimes.

Goals

Now the foundation is moving to new heights, we are looking to expand the services we offer to across the UK and to include developing new actions aimed at encouraging young people to stay away from crime.

Our aim for the future is to get young people directly involved with campaigning against violent crimes, to have them understand the impact it is having on families and communities. Our first task in achieving this aim is a Charity Art Auction - where local artists, students, young people and those who want to join in represent our campaign through art, this event will be held in July 2013. (For more information on how to get involved contact Sara on 07951091900).

Aspirations

We are aspiring to be like Chris, we want to seize every opportunity and encourage people - no matter age or background - to live life to the full!!!

We hope to set up an overseas placement service, working in partnership with a successful volunteering agency, to give young people from more difficult backgrounds the opportunity to volunteer overseas. The aim of the project would be to show young people who may stray into a life of crime, how a community should live, work together and support each other. To help them grow and gain skills that cannot be learnt in their home towns. Most of all to allow them to see an undiscovered part of their world and grab life with both hands!

"The Big 10"

So what is this all about?

Well, in June 2013 we will mark the 10th anniversary of Chris' death. We felt that to mark this occasion we would create something bigger than life itself (a little like Chris!) and so **"The Big 10"** was born.

Who are we raising money for?

We are raising money through The Chris Cave Foundation for charities Through Unity and KnifeCrimes.org who support victims of violent crimes and Partner Ghana which runs out of Sacred Heart School, Redcar supporting education in Ghana.

The Big 10 is a series of charity events which will run from September 2012 until July 2013. Our first event starts on Saturday 15th September at St. William's Church Hall, Dormanstown - a Smashing Summer Fair!

A brief calendar of events is below:

Saturday 15th SEPTEMBER - at St. William's Church Hall, Dormanstown - 10am-2pm - FREE ENTRY

Friday 26th OCTOBER - at Sunderland Dogs - bus from Redcar Bowl carpark at 6pm - leaving the dogs around 11pm - Tickets: £12 adult/£8 children - includes: return bus travel, drivers tip, entry, 1 drink, pie & peas, race card - Places are limited so please book early.

Thursday 15th NOVEMBER - at Hippo-pot-a-mess, Get Creative! - TICKET EVENT - Please ask for more info.

Saturday 1st DECEMBER - Winter Fair - Venue to be confirmed - FREE ENTRY - Please ask for more info

JANUARY 2013 - Break from fundraising to settle into the New Year! There are some private events taking place, for example; Lads Poker Night, Girls Pamper Evening - if you would like to host your own event then let us know! We have a pack for you.

Saturday 23rd February - 1940s Party at The Claxton Hotel, Redcar - £20 per person includes: Buffet & 1940s Singer Cherie Lawrence, also we have 40s themed games and sweets!

Saturday 16th MARCH - Bungee Jump off Transporter Bridge, Middlesbrough - Would you like to take part? Sponsorship forms and details available from us.

Saturday 30th MARCH - Spring Ball at Saltburn Golf Club - TICKET EVENT - Will include: meal & entertainment, as well as a raffle. Dress code will apply.

Saturday 27th April - Spring Fair - Venue to be confirmed - FREE ENTRY

May 2013 - Charity Football Match at Riverside Stadium, home to Middlesbrough Football Club, details to be confirmed by club in October 2012. We need players! If you are interested in playing then please contact us sooner rather than later!

Wednesday 5th JUNE - Moonlight Messages with Japanese Lanterns on Redcar Beach, time confirmed closer to date. Free to attend, £2 per lantern.

JUNE/JULY 2013 - Charity Art Exhibition - Details to be confirmed. Information on how to get involved attached.

Friday 19th JULY 2013 - Thank You Party! FREE EVENT for all who have helped, supported and promoted us!

On top of all these fabulous events we have:

- Paintball Tickets available to purchase - £60 for 10 people with Delta Force Paintball, anywhere in the UK! (Nearest Middlesbrough/Hull/Leeds/Newcastle/Harrogate)
- Dance Classes - Keep Fit for Charity! - to be held in Saltburn, contact for more information.
- Coffee Mornings at various locations - please let us know if you would like to hold a coffee morning - we have packs available, you won't need to organise a thing!

For all of these events there are sponsorship opportunities, chances to get involved and having a stall. All money raised from these events will go to our charities - our aim is: £10,000!!! We are hoping to add more smaller events as we move through the year.

Contact Details for The Chris Cave Foundation

The Chris Cave Foundation can offer various services and would like to provide you with the details should you wish to contact us.

Speaking at Events: Theresa Cave

Fundraising: Sara Bell

Marketing/Advertising: Sara Bell

Administration: Theresa Cave or Sara Bell

If you enquiry is general please email too: thechriscavefoundation@gmail.com

TICKETS for ALL "The Big 10" Events: are on sale now!

If you would like further information or to speak to organiser Sara Bell about The Big 10 specifically contact on: 07951091900 or thechriscavefoundation@gmail.com

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(Please note all events/dates/times/venues are subject to change at any occasion, all persons interested will be notified suitably.)