

## **P&O Cruises To Raise Money For Young People With Cancer In New Charity Partnership**

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[P&O Cruises](#) is partnering with [Teenage Cancer Trust](#) for the next three years to raise funds for the charity and awareness of the valuable work it does helping teenagers and young adults with cancer across the UK.

P&O Cruises will be raising money for Teenage Cancer Trust through a number of exciting staff and passenger fundraising initiatives across its family friendly large ships, Britannia, Ventura and Azura. All money raised over the next three years will go towards Teenage Cancer Trust's vital services, including the funding of expert nurses and youth support coordinators, as well as specialist hospital units for young people with cancer.

P&O Cruises Head of Entertainment, Paul Wright, visited the local Teenage Cancer Trust unit in Southampton. He said: "Meeting young people like Laura on the unit, really reinforced to me the phenomenal work Teenage Cancer Trust does on both a practical and emotional level for teenagers affected by cancer. As we take many thousands of families on holiday each year we wanted to recognise the incredible work carried out by the charity and go some way towards contributing to it. We will be doing this through fun, engaging activities which will appeal to children and teens on board our ships. I am delighted we will be working together and I hope we raise a significant amount over the next three years."

Siobhan Dunn, Chief Executive at Teenage Cancer Trust said: "Everyone at Teenage Cancer Trust is very excited about working with P&O Cruises. Despite all the hard work and progress we have made in supporting young people, we still have a long way to go. For every young person with cancer we help, there is another we can't. P&O Cruises will be helping us reach these young people. We feel very lucky to have been chosen by them and look forward to working together."

There are now 28 specialist Teenage Cancer Trust units in NHS hospitals across the UK and the charity wants every young person with cancer to have access to this specialist support, no matter where they live.

For more information visit [www.teenagecancertrust.org](http://www.teenagecancertrust.org)

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### **Notes to Editors:**

#### **Teenage Cancer Trust:**

Teenage Cancer Trust is the only UK charity dedicated to improving the quality of life and chances of survival for the seven young people aged 13 to 24 diagnosed with cancer every day. Teenage Cancer Trust has a unique relationship with the NHS, funding specialist cancer units in NHS hospitals and providing dedicated staff to bring young people together so they can be treated by teenage cancer experts in a place designed just for them. We want every young person with cancer to have access to this specialist support, no matter where they live.

Traditionally treated alongside children or elderly patients at the end of their lives, young people can feel extremely isolated during treatment, some never meeting another young person with cancer. Being treated alongside others their own age can make a huge difference to their whole experience. Teenage Cancer Trust also educates young people and health professionals about cancer to ensure a swift diagnosis and referral to specialist support. Cancer in young people is rare but we want young people to know the common signs and symptoms so they can seek medical advice if they are worried.

Teenage Cancer Trust relies on donations to fund its vital work. Find out more, get involved or make a donation at [www.teenagecancertrust.org](http://www.teenagecancertrust.org).

Teenage Cancer Trust is a registered charity: 1062559 (England & Wales), SC039757 (Scotland).