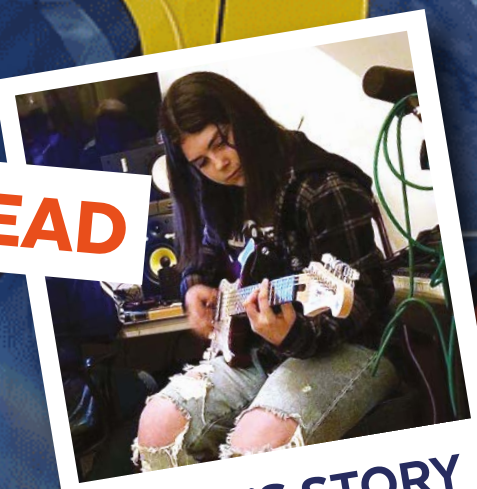


HELICOPTER HEROES

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ROSIE'S STORY

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YOUR
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Welcome to the second edition of our schools newsletter!

We're delighted to share this new edition with you and provide our latest updates. Our team of volunteers have been busier than ever, visiting schools, delivering assemblies, and inspiring students with our lifesaving mission. From dedicated staff to engaged young learners, every one of you plays a vital role in helping us continue our critical work - thank you!

This issue is packed with updates and opportunities to get involved. You'll:

- Be inspired by a real-life patient story that brings our work to life,
- Discover ways to join the fun and turn your school yellow to support our vital service,
- Have a free resource to photocopy and use in your classrooms.

Every step of the way, your generosity, enthusiasm, and kindness enable us to continue transforming lives. We're immensely grateful for your support and dedication, which makes everything we do possible.

As always, we'd love to hear from you! Whether it's your feedback, ideas, or stories, your voice matters to us, please contact schools@theairambulance.org.uk. Let's continue making a difference together - one bright yellow step at a time.

With heartfelt thanks,

All the best, Donna
Director of Fundraising

WELCOME



ROSIE'S STORY

Rosie has defied doctors since she was involved in an accident in April 2017 when she was thrown off the back of her dad's motorcycle when he had to brake suddenly.

She often went out for rides with dad, Jamie, and always wore protective clothing and helmets. But when Rosie was thrown off the back of the motorcycle to the opposite side of the road, she landed with such force the safety kit wasn't enough to prevent her sustaining horrendous injuries. She suffered 10 breaks and fractures to her right femur, tibia, fibula; her left shoulder; her pelvis and jaw.

After a seven-hour surgery on both legs, Rosie was in hospital for a month during which time she had an operation to put plates in her femur, tibia and fibula.



She had to take her SATS exams at home but was able to return to school - still in a wheelchair - three months after the accident.

She's now back to full health: playing hockey, enjoying taking part in dramatic productions and riding - to name a few of the activities she enjoys.



When she was discharged Rosie was in a wheelchair which meant the family had to convert their dining room into a temporary bedroom for her. Despite this, Rosie was determined not to be held back and continued to do everything she enjoyed including day-trips to the seaside and drama summer-camps!



"The air ambulance saved my life and I wanted to do something to say thank you. Whenever I see it flying overhead I blow it a kiss," says Rosie.

MISSION STATS 2025

Reaching a medical emergency in rapid time can be the difference between life and death. That's where Your Local Air Ambulance comes in.

£2,300

Average Mission Cost

255*

Total Missions



29

Hours Flown



57

Road Traffic Collision Missions Attended



5,597

Critical Care Car Miles

16

Counties Attended



*These figures reflect our missions from 1 Jan 2025 - 1 Feb 2025

TURN YOUR SCHOOL YELLOW

AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL AIR AMBULANCE SERVICE

We're calling on all schools to turn yellow and help us light up our communities in support of our lifesaving work! Together, we can make a huge difference and keep our helicopters flying to save lives.

Organising your Big Wear It Yellow Day couldn't be easier! Just follow these simple steps to spread the sunshine and raise vital funds:

1 SAY 'YES'

Say a big 'YES' to taking part and register your event with us to grab your FREE fundraising pack!

2 CHOOSE A DATE

Choose a date, mark it on your school calendar, and shout about it to your school community.

3 INVITE

Invite the whole school community to wear something bright yellow to school and donate just £1 each.

4 HAVE FUN

Once the fun is over and the donations are in, let us know, and we'll guide you on sending them to us!

Want your students to learn more about our service?

We'd love to share our story! Contact us to request a copy of our assembly presentation or book a virtual assembly by emailing schools@theairambulance.org.uk



Together, we can make a real difference, ensuring our helicopters stay in the sky and our crews are there when every second counts.

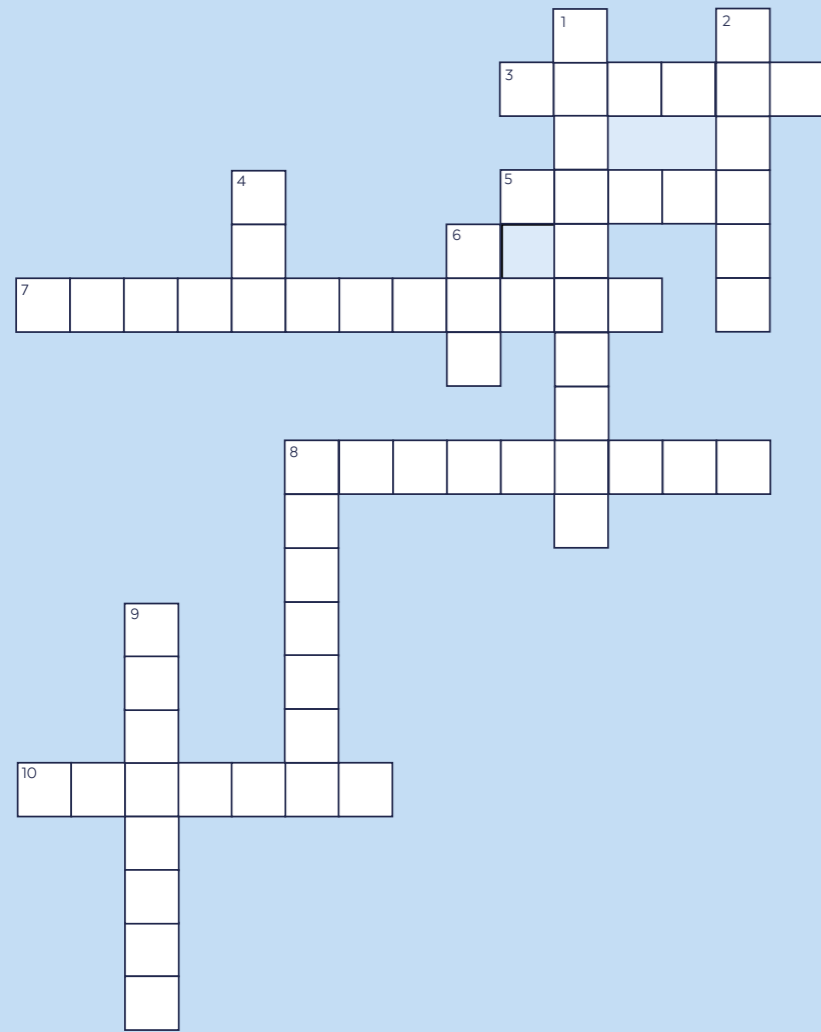
With your incredible support we can save even more lives, one bright yellow step at a time!



COFFEE BREAK



SIT BACK AND RELAX WITH A HOT DRINK AND A GOOD PUZZLE...



ACROSS

- 3. Colour of your local air ambulance (6)
- 5. Person flying the helicopter (5)
- 7. Medical device used to restore a normal heartbeat (13)
- 8. Critical care crew member on board (9)
- 10. Organisation set up to help people (7)

DOWN

- 1. The flying vehicle used by air ambulance services (10)
- 2. Member of crew onboard providing life saving care (6)
- 4. Life saving technique often used to revive patients (3)
- 6. Vehicle used during night hours (3)
- 8. Person attended by air ambulance (7)
- 9. Money given to charity (8)

THE BIG WEAR IT YELLOW WORDSEARCH

Look for the words associated with the color yellow, in the puzzle.

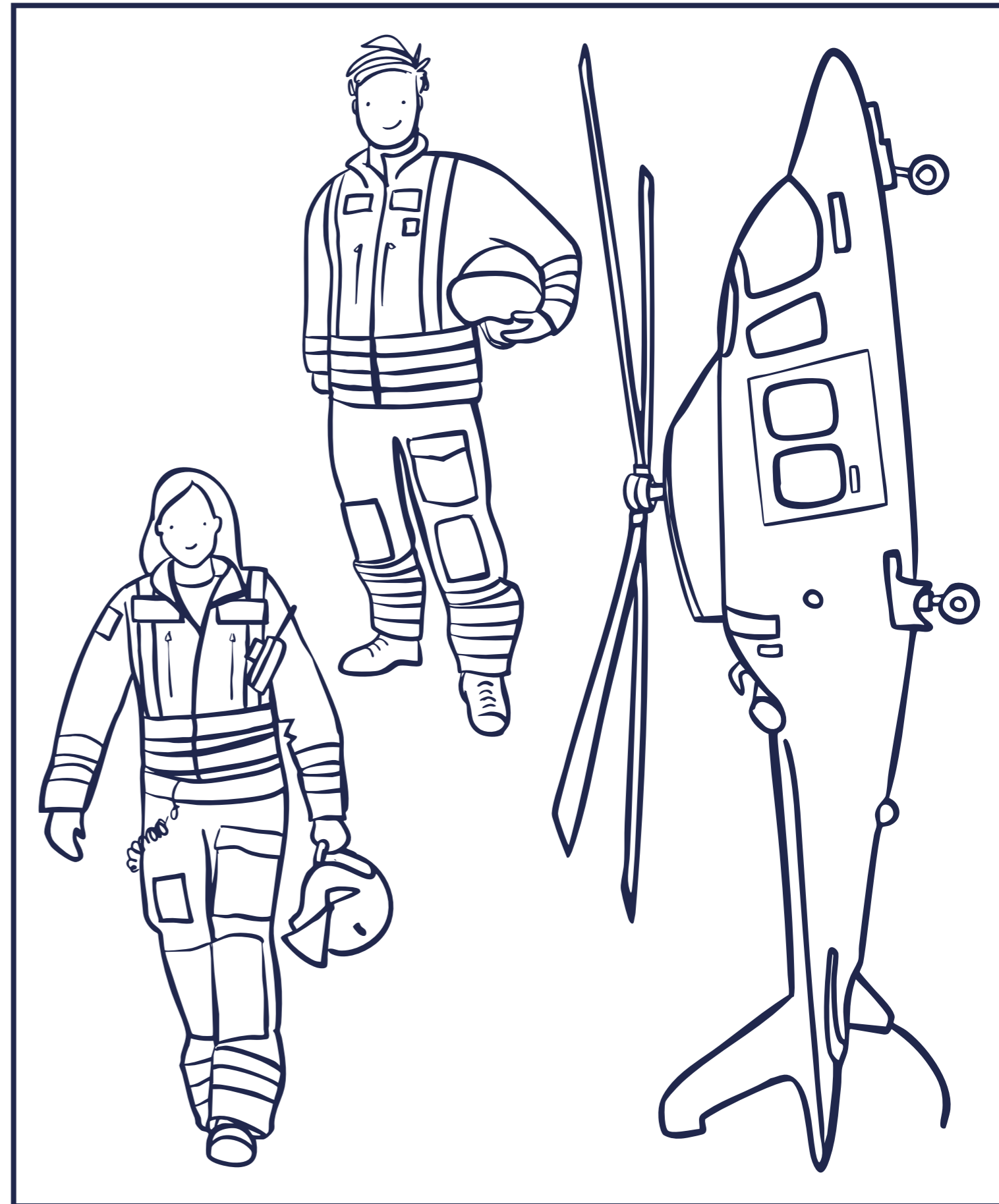
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| SWEETCORN | DAFFODIL |
| CANARY | PINEAPPLE |
| HELICOPTER | WEAR IT YELLOW |
| AMARILLO | LEMON |
| GO FOR GOLD | GIALLO |
| SUNFLOWER | SAFFRON |

C A N A R Y C S E L E W W N
 G O A A S E T L O N N E W O
 I L E L B A N A N A R A R R
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CLASSROOM RESOURCES

PHOTOCOPIY ME TO USE IN YOUR CLASSROOMS!

Help give our helicopter and crew members a new look! Cut out, photocopy and use this resource in your classrooms and let creativity fly. Why not complete this activity during your Big Wear it Yellow event to add a little extra sparkle!



FREE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES



We have a range of free educational workshops for you to download and use in your classrooms, covering all aspects of charity work and a deeper look into helicopters including:

- ▶ WHAT IS A CHARITY?
- ▶ HOW DO VOLUNTEERS HELP CHARITIES?
- ▶ WHAT MAKES A GOOD TEAM?
- ▶ WHAT IMPACT DO CHARITIES HAVE?
- ▶ HOW DOES A HELICOPTER FLY?
- ▶ WHERE DO HELICOPTERS LAND?



Each workshop feeds into the elements of the curriculum. To view and download the resources, visit: theairambulanceservice.org.uk/get-involved/school-fundraising-ideas

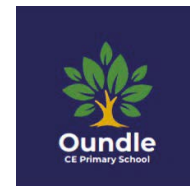


FANTASTIC FUNDRAISERS

A huge thank you to all the schools that have supported us with fundraising activities, raising awareness, or welcoming us to host assemblies. Your support means the world to us, and we're incredibly grateful for each and every one of you. Here's a spotlight on just a few of the amazing schools that have generously supported us over the past few months.



Twycross House
Pre-Preparatory
School



Red Kite Academy



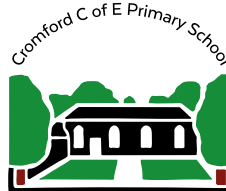
MAWSLEY COMMUNITY
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Our team would love to hear from you, from helping with fundraising queries, booking assemblies or to give us feedback. Please drop us a line at schools@theairambulanceservice.org.uk



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