

COUSINS FIND 'WRITE' WAY TO RAISE FUNDS

Schoolgirls' newspaper coins in charity cash

TWO talented Johnstone schoolgirls made the headlines when they decided to do something a little bit different to raise money for charity.

Using common sense, Joanna (14) and Rachael (13) decided to write a newspaper to raise money for their favourite charities. They started out by producing their very own newspaper, which they now push through local areas to raise money for their favourite charities.

The Millstone Messenger is a weekly paper full of news, features, local history and information about what's going on in the community.

The newspaper is delivered free of charge, although recipients are asked to make donations which the girls send off to their favourite charities.

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WRITE ON: Joanna, left, and Rachael present a £100 cheque to Tracy McGregor, the manager of the Cancer Research UK

neighbourhood newspaper every two months. And although the circulation area is mostly in and around Millstone Park,

Cheshire after a copy of the Messenger was taken into custody there.

Joanna, from Kildwick, and Rachael, from the Johnstone Castle area, are both pleased with the success of their publication - but even more so by the amount of money it has raised for the charity.

Recently, they handed over £100 to Tracy McGregor, manager of the Cancer Research UK, charity in Macclesfield, Cheshire. They also hope to support Macclesfield Council's efforts to the future.

"We got the idea of producing the newspaper from a book which we looked up while searching for ways of raising money for charity," explained Joanna.

"Writing it is great fun and we are just pleased it helps to raise money for deserving charities. We plan to keep it going as long as possible."

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