

A Teacher's Story...

Molly was a vulnerable child whose mother was killed in a car accident 2 years ago. Her father had been the driver of the car at the time of this tragic accident, and had been drinking alcohol.

Molly, had suffered long before her mother died, through emotional neglect as her parent's lives were dominated with alcohol addiction and mental health issues. She now lives with her younger brother and grandmother. Two older siblings from a different father live elsewhere.

Molly had been trying so hard to come to terms with the loss of her mother, the sadness and fear of her father being in prison and since his release, more anxiety with him being admitted to hospital through drink related problems. His health is poor and he is incapable of parenting. Their grandmother, Jane, now their legal guardian is aware that the gossip in the small village where they live has led to bullying and loss of friends. An extremely heartbreaking and distressing situation.

With the support from RNCf and the wonderful guardianship of Jane we have witnessed a gradual change in Molly's appearance, ability to learn, growth in confidence and self-worth, and the beginnings of new friendships. Molly has settled well into the caring environment of her boarding house, which offers a gateway to a brighter future.

Without the support of RNCf, Molly wouldn't have her new start in life and I am writing to thank you whole heartedly for giving this little girl a chance in life.

RNCf are also supporting Molly's brother.

Make A Pledge

- £115** pays for one week of Assisted Boarding for a vulnerable young person
- £1,500** could pay for one term boarding school fees for a vulnerable child
- £4,500** could pay for boarding school fees for a whole year.
- £30,000** could pay for boarding school education for the duration of a young person's secondary schooling
- Other amount** (please indicate amount) _____
- Set up standing order.** Please give your contact details and we will send you the appropriate form.

our pledge to you

every single pound of your donation will go straight to paying school fees for a vulnerable young person who has suffered trauma, tragedy and neglect... AND **we will leverage it 6 times** with the help of schools and partner charities.

PLEASE help us help even more vulnerable, disadvantaged young people.



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RNCf is a charity that seeks to support children at state and independent boarding schools, where their normal development is compromised. They may have suffered trauma, tragedy or neglect in their young lives.

The Royal National Children's Foundation (RNCF) helps vulnerable children in the United Kingdom whose circumstances are seriously prejudicial to their normal development and where no other care is available.

- These are young people who usually have one or no active parents and whose normal development is compromised or threatened by adverse home, school or family circumstances.
- This situation can arise through the death or serious ill health of one or both parents, divorce, separation and abnormal or particularly adverse home conditions.
- The child will be aged between 7 and 18 years.
- The most suitable schooling for the majority of these young people will be at boarding school though day school will be considered as an exceptional alternative for the younger child aged between 7 & 13 years.
- The charity supports the social need not the educational preference.
- Be from families who cannot meet the cost of such education unaided.



RNCF's Aim:

RNCF aims to help the most vulnerable of children by supporting them with financial assistance to attend a boarding school.

This life changing opportunity enables a child to:

- Live within a safe and structured environment
- Thrive within a nurturing community
- Mix with their peers
- Increase their self-worth and confidence
- Receive emotional and academic support
- Achieve to the best of their ability
- Enjoy all school activities



A Child's Story...

I spent most of my early years oblivious to my father's alcoholism and my mother's severe drug-induced mental illness. My father died when I was 7 and I was left alone at home with my mother and sister. Normal for me was being woken up in the middle of the night by my mother armed with a shotgun, wanting to go out and shoot an ex-boyfriend. I can still remember the fear as we walked the streets.

Normal for me, when I was allowed to eat, was being given a packet of crisps and a bar of chocolate for lunch, then again for supper. I remember my friends being rather envious of this and at the time it made me feel special.

I do not blame my parents for their sicknesses, but I feel strongly that a child should not have to endure the confusions that I did. Through the security given to me at boarding school, I now have confidence in my hopes and dreams, and I cannot begin to imagine what my life would have been like, had the RNCF not been such a backbone in my teenage development and growth.

Quite simply the RNCF has brought "magic" into my life by enabling me to attend boarding school. I will always be extremely grateful for their support and for giving me the gift of determination and belief in the future.

Thank you RNCF for giving me genuine hope.

