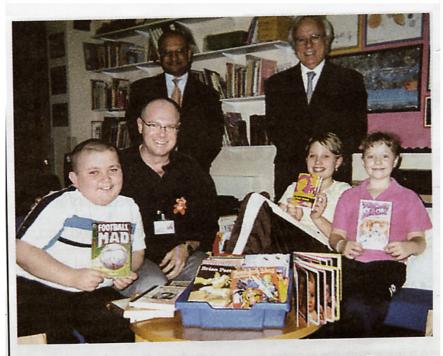


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More books for kids!

Rotary Clubs in London and Spain have joined forces to provide 200 books for young patients at The Royal London Hospital. The City and Shoreditch and Barcelona Millennium Rotary Clubs wanted to benefit The Queen Elizabeth Children's Service, which encompasses all the children's wards at the hospital.

Barcelona literary agency B&B
Serveis Literaris gave the English
language books to Rotary in
Barcelona, who contacted their
London colleagues to find a suitable
home for them. It was decided that
The Children's Service at The Royal
London, being local to the City Rotary
branch, was a suitable recipient.

Warren Edwardes, from the Rotary Club City and Shoreditch, said: "We are delighted to provide these books for children to read during their stay in hospital. We are grateful to fellow Rotarians Antonio Di Benedetto, whose Italian-based company Interdean Interconex organised for the books to be transported to London, and to Marcel Pons in Barcelona for thinking of us in the first place."

Receiving the books on behalf of

The Children's Service, Emma Bakhle, Campaign Executive, said: "The books look just wonderful. I know the schoolrooms and playrooms at the hospital will be thrilled with them and they will be a fantastic addition to the children's library."

Keep sending in your 'free books for schools' tokens!

You too can do your bit to boost book supplies in The Royal London schoolrooms! Just start collecting 'free books for schools' tokens from The Sun, News of The World and Walkers Crisps packets and take/send them to the hospital schoolrooms on Barclay or Goldsmith wards or the first floor of Garden House. There's no need to cut out the tokens – the schoolrooms will do that for you.

The tokens are out there until the end of June and the schoolrooms have got until 10 July to order the books, so get collecting! If you don't buy newspapers or crisps, keep an eye out for discarded newspapers and empty crisp packets around the hospitals.

Thank you