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ROTARY clubs in London and Spain have joined forces to provide 200 books for children who are patients at the Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel. The City and Shoreditch and Barcelona Millennium Rotary clubs wanted to benefit the Queen Elizabeth Children's Service, which covers all the children's wards at the hospital. The books were provided by Barcelona Literary Agency, B&B Serveis Literaris, to Rotarians in Barcelona. As the books are all in English, it was decided that the children's service at the Royal London would be a suitable home, being local to the City Rotary branch.

Club spokesman Warren Edwardes said: "The Royal London Hospital serves a diverse, multi-cultural community. We are delighted to provide these books for



(l-r) Patient Jordan Mahoney, hospital teacher Brenton Sandford (seated), Warren Edwardes and Pino Ferrara of the Rotary Club (standing), patients Rosie Herbert and Rebecca Johnston

children to read during their stay in hospital." Receiving the books on behalf of the children's service, campaign executive Emma Bakhle said: "The books just

look wonderful. I know the school rooms and play rooms at the hospital will be thrilled with them and they will be a fantastic addition to the children's library."