

JET - Joint Educational Trust

I would like to introduce you to the work of JET – the Joint Educational Trust.

We work to provide grants for the education of children aged 7- 13 who have suffered trauma, tragedy or neglect in whatever form and support those children through the provision of either boarding or independent day school education. JET works throughout the United Kingdom, supporting a variety of children with different needs, some who are young carers of parents or siblings, some who have been exposed to violence, abuse or threatening behaviour, some who are in the care of a single parent afflicted by a mental or physical illness. All these children have a desperate need for a stable and consistent education, and we give them a chance to make a fresh start. I believe this fits into your school's policy to support young people as they develop into valued members of society

Our involvement with schools, as they seek to demonstrate their charitable responsibility and fulfil the public benefit requirement, has increased. JET is already working with a number of schools to help with their application and selection process through our bursary support package – indeed St Hilary's participates in this initiative. This scheme allows schools to delegate the whole bursary process to JET, as we are very experienced in this area.

JET is presently supporting 126 vulnerable children in boarding and independent schools across the country. We were also involved in placing a further 104 children on behalf of other trusts. The current economic downturn doesn't only affect JET's own fundraising, but we have also witnessed a significant increase in demand for our limited resources. We are very anxious to support more children in this coming academic year and we are very grateful to parents such as yourselves for contributing to our work through the JET Levy contribution that is added to your Termly bill. Many thanks to parents, staff and children of St Hilary's for your valued support

For further information about the work of Joint Educational Trust please visit our website www.jetcharity.org or contact the Director David Howarth.