EMMA PRITCHARD

Name: Emma Pritchard

Age: 13

Where I Live: Cheshire

Doing social action can make a huge difference but doesn't have to cost anything, just time and effort. Try it, and you'll see how much good you can do – and how much fun you can have!



MY SOCIAL ACTION JOURNEY

My social action started at Kingsmead Primary School, through a buddy system where older pupils help younger ones. I've also been a Brownie and am now a Guide, working towards my Baden Powell Award.

I think my greatest achievements so far have been conquering Mount Snowdon aged seven with my friend Mia and our families, as well as taking on the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge when I was nine. It's all been to raise thousands of pounds for Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research, because my brother Jamie suffered from leukaemia when he was little. I'm also a big supporter of the Joshua Tree Holiday House and Support Centre, who help families with a child who has cancer. At the weekends and in school holidays I love spending time helping with fete stalls, selling raffle tickets, arranging and baking for cake sales and coffee mornings, doing sponsored walks and fun runs, and much more. Without a doubt, doing social action has made me a lot more confident – I used to be really shy, but now I'm happy to talk to anyone and willing to have a go at most things.

KEY CHARACTER QUALITIES AND VIRTUES

Perseverance | Friendship

The adults who have most inspired me to get involved in social action are ...

My big brother Jamie and my dad.

MY SOCIAL ACTION PLEDGE

#iwill continue to support causes I care about and encourage friends and family to do so too.