[Name] raises money to feed hungry children around the world

Select the date

# [Include name of supporter / group within this title] raises money to feed hungry children around the world

## [Insert name of supporter/group] from [insert location] is [sum up your fundraising activity] to raise money for Mary’s Meals.

[Include details of your fundraising activity including where it is happening, the date and the time eg He/She/They will set off on September 5 at 9am to run from Brussels to Amsterdam, and will cover 130 miles.]

Mary’s Meals sets up and runs school feeding programmes in communities where hunger and poverty prevent children from gaining an education. The international charity currently provides a meal every school day for more than 989,000 across 12 countries.

The aim of Mary’s Meals is to address the immediate needs of a hungry child by giving them something to eat, and to enable that child to receive the education that can offer an escape from poverty. The charity’s average global cost to feed a child for a whole school year is just £12.20.

Mary’s Meals fundraiser, [name of supporter/group], said:”[insert quote from about your event and why you have chosen to support Mary’s Meals]”.

Where Mary’s Meals is provided, there is a rise in rates of enrolment, attendance and academic performance.

Mary’s Meals is a low cost charity that spends at least 93 pence of every £1 donated on its charitable work.

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, founder of Mary’s Meals said: “Today, around the world, 57 million children miss school because of poverty. Instead of sitting in a classroom getting an education, they are working in fields, begging on street corners, or scavenging among the garbage to survive.

“Our vision is that every child should be able to receive one good meal every day in a place of education. Working together with people who share our ideals, we believe that our vision can be achieved in this world of plenty, where there is enough food for everyone.”

For more information please contact [insert your contact details]

To make a donation visit [insert relevant details here]

For further information on Mary’s Meals, please visit [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk) or follow the charity on @marysmeals and on [www.facebook.com/marysmeals](http://www.facebook.com/marysmeals)

### Notes to Editors

Mary’s Meals began in Malawi in 2002 when its founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow met a young woman called Emma who was dying from AIDS. She was sitting on the mud floor of her hut surrounded by her children. When Magnus asked her 14-year-old son what his dreams were in life, his stark reply was: “To have enough food to eat and to go to school one day”. This was a key part of the inspiration that led to the Mary’s Meals campaign.

Mary’s Meals began feeding 200 children in one Malawian primary school in 2002. Today, the organisation reaches more than 989,000 children with a daily meal in school, across four continents.

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