

A TRAVELING LIGHT FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

# the spark

*ignite the joy of learning!*



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WE BRING SMILES TO GROWING MINDS AS THEY REALIZE THEIR POTENTIAL FOR CREATIVE EXPLORATION, SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY, AND GLOBAL INNOVATION.

HEY, LOOK WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO!

## A TLF Update

Hello friends!

We at Traveling Light Foundation have been working for a year now to grow into a non-profit that honors Ronan, and that will make you proud. We have accomplished quite a bit, thanks to your support!

Some of our work includes providing STEM packages to 8th graders, helping to put a new piano into a middle school, providing a library to a kindergarten class, and much more. We have sponsored field trips, given art supplies to students, and let's not forget our current project; putting a podcast studio into a middle school! Click [here](#) for more.

Please consider a monthly donation so that we may keep up this meaningful work. Thank you for your continued support!

*coming up:*

## Author visit: Jeff Kinney

### DIARY OF A WIMPY KID

McMinnville is welcoming a fan-favorite, author Jeff Kinney!! Jeff writes of one of the most-loved middle school book series; Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Thanks to donor Irene Wilson of Londonderry, Northern Ireland, we have been able to sponsor one student from each of the six elementary schools in Mac. Each student will receive a signed copy of the latest of the series; No Brainer. See you all there!

Join Jeff Kinney on  
**THE NO BRAINER TOUR**



Oct. 23: San Diego, CA	Nov. 3: Portland, OR
Oct. 26: Sacramento, CA	Nov. 4: Hood River, OR
Oct. 27: Santa Cruz, CA	Nov. 5: Tacoma, WA
Oct. 28: San Jose, CA	Nov. 6: Redmond, WA
Nov. 2: McMinnville, OR	Nov. 7: Bellingham, WA
	Nov. 8: Bainbridge Island, WA




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# Our Latest Fundraiser

## FLOWER POWER FUNDRAISING

Beautiful Amaryllis and Paperwhites make the perfect gifts for the holidays or to add blooms to your own home during the winter months ahead! These ready to grow bulbs will bloom in 4-8 weeks.

*Delivered in time for Christmas!*



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## Youth Committee

### PUMPKIN CARVING FUN

The TLF Pumpkin Carving Party was an opportunity for team building and forming friendships, bringing together volunteers and our Youth Advisory Committee.

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## Sponsors Needed

### INSPIRING YOUNG PODCASTERS

Duniway Middle School is close to having a podcast studio and we're getting very excited! We're currently seeking project sponsors to help us complete the project.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



# Making New NORMAL DAYS

by Rachel G.

As I sit down to reminisce about days gone by, it feels like just yesterday when my two boys were little. Despite the trials of Ronan's medical journey, we had a beautiful life full of laughter and love.

Fond memories I have include the days we would come out of hospital check ups with test results that earned a thumbs up! And of goofing around at home together, of course. Ultimately, those are the best times, aren't they? The normal days. What wouldn't I give to have Ronan with us for one more normal day?

These days I spend my time working on ways to bring inspiration to other children, which in turn, brings meaning to my days and even joy. I miss him dearly, but my work with TLF keeps me close to Ronan, and it's a good day when I can **ignite the joy of learning**. Ronan loved learning. Anyone who knows him can surely imagine him with his face in a book!

I want to thank those of you who have donated towards our efforts and have sent kind words of support to Nick, Callum and I. We would like to see this foundation grow and do good things in our community, our world, and our universe, as was Ronan's wish.



## Support Us Today

**EVERY DONATION MATTERS!**

Traveling Light Foundation is a grass roots, volunteer based non-profit that relies on your generous donations.

Your support means the world to us!

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