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Quiz night to aid charity

Event will raise money to support children's education in Sri Lanka following the 2004 tsunami

A QUIZ night is being held to raise funds for a Fleet charity that supports the educational needs of children in Sri Lanka.

To be held in All Saints Parish Hall, in Church Road, Fleet, tomorrow (Friday) at 7.45pm, the event is being held in aid of Ocean Stars Trust.

The trust was formed in response to the devastating Boxing Day 2004 tsunami that claimed more than 30,000 lives in Sri Lanka.

Founder Dilanee Bunter, who was born in Sri Lanka and now lives in Fleet, was determined to 'give something back' after the disaster, which killed around 35,000 people and displaced around 500,000.

She collected money, along with 50 pairs of children's shoes, from friends and family to take to her homeland in Easter 2005.

By the spring of that year, with the help of people in the Fleet area, the Ocean Stars Trust was born with a board of around seven trustees who had the continuing mandate to 'rebuild shattered lives'.



Fleet resident Dilanee Bunter of the Ocean Stars Trust in Sri Lanka in 2005 following the Boxing Day tsunami.

In 2013, the trust also began a cultural exchange for pupils from Fleet's Calthorpe Park School, while several links have also been formed between infant, junior and secondary schools.

All are welcome to attend the quiz and people can either make up a team or go individually.

Tickets are £10 per person, to include pizza.

To book a place, email ruthhughes@btinternet.com.

More money will be raised for the trust from a talk given by Fleet resident Kate Whyatt about taking part in the Clipper Round the World Race.

The talk is being held in Fleet Parish Community Centre, Church Road, Fleet, on Friday February 3 at 7.30pm for a prompt 8pm start. A glass of wine will be served on arrival.

There is no entry fee but donations will be accepted on the evening for Ocean Stars and Frensham Pond Sailability.

To reserve tickets email kate.whyatt@btinternet.com.