

Midwife cycles from London to Paris for The Sick Children's Trust

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Nikki Butler, Clinical Midwifery Team Leader at Peterborough City Hospital's Maternity Department, has raised over £400 by taking part in a gruelling 300-mile bike ride from London to Paris to raise money for UK charity, The Sick Children's Trust.

Nikki started the four day journey from south London before making her way across the channel to cycle through the French countryside and finishing at the Eiffel Tower in Paris. She was joined by fellow midwives who took part in the challenge.

She said: "Four years ago, my son was born prematurely and was cared for at The Rosie Hospital in Cambridge. The Sick Children's Trust not only supported me during a difficult time, but also provided accommodation at Chestnut House. I can't praise the charity enough for their help and I am happy to say that my son is now a fit and healthy four year old.

"I am so proud of all of the team we have met some very unpleasant hills and Garmin got us lost in the middle of ploughed fields, but we made it and everyone is in good spirits!"

Chestnut House Manager Abi Abdel-aal said: "It's lovely that Nikki has taken on such a huge challenge to fundraise for The Sick Children's Trust. When a baby is seriously ill, it's an incredibly difficult time and The Sick Children's Trust helps ease some of the worries families have by keeping them together by their baby's side in free 'Home from Home' accommodation. It costs the charity around £30 per night to support a family, so we couldn't be more grateful to Nikki for choosing to fundraise for us. We wish her and her colleagues the best of luck."

If you would like to support Nikki and make a donation, you can visit her online donation page: http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/NikkiButlerL2P

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