RUNNING FOR FUN THIS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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Lauren Ashley - a childhood cancer survivor - aged 37 from Bedford, is taking part in the Big Fun Run on Saturday 1st September to raise money for national charity, Neuroblastoma UK.

Lauren was diagnosed with stage four neuroblastoma when she was 16 months old and was given a 10% chance of survival. Now aged 37, Lauren is taking part in the Big Fun Run in Milton Keynes in aid of Neuroblastoma UK, on Saturday 1st September to raise awareness of this rare childhood cancer during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

Lauren has already raised nearly £200 for Neuroblastoma UK and hopes to raise even more to fund vital research into neuroblastoma.

Lauren said, “I am running for 'fun' this September with my little sister Fern and my children Eryn, aged 13, and Greyson, aged 3 to raise money for Neuroblastoma UK because it’s an incredibly important charity to me. I want to give something back to an organisation that saved my life and gave me the opportunity to enjoy everything I do today, so other kids can also live to experience the joy of middle age!

“Raising awareness of the disease is so important - it can help with earlier diagnosis and the research funded by Neuroblastoma UK will continue to save more young lives.”

Katherine Mobey, Fundraising Manager at Neuroblastoma UK said, “We’re thrilled that Lauren and her family are taking part in this great event to kick off our activities for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. We are a small charity but we have big plans. We want to double our income over the next two years and double our research investment. Thanks to our generous supporters like Lauren, we have already awarded nearly £7 million to UK research focusing on neuroblastoma. But more needs to be done. We rely entirely on donations to continue driving forward research into this terrible disease and give more families like Lauren’s hope.”

To support Lauren and Neuroblastoma UK, please visit Lauren’s fundraising page: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lauren-wright24

To find out how to support Neuroblastoma UK this September, visit www.neuroblastoma.org.uk/childhood-cancer-awareness-month

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