



Schools

10 great ideas for fundraising for you and your school. My Life Films is aiming to fundraise enough during Dementia Action Week (21-27 May) to help a further 15 people living with dementia benefit from our free life films. Your help could make the difference, please feel free to be creative and create your own fundraising events. Contact Adam on adam@mylifefilms.org for more information and fundraising content.

Bake sales: A standard for a good reason! Bake sales are easy, fun, and have very little overhead costs – plus who doesn't love eating sweet treats, especially when it's for a worthy cause? You can also get creative with a bake sale in a ton of different ways: think seasonal or holiday-themed, or even an interactive bake sale where kids can create their own delicious masterpieces.

Spelling bee: Brain-training fun for students of all ages. Spelling bees are quite common, so put a fundraising spin on it and have students get sponsors to help them participate. The difficulty of the words can be scaled by the ages of the participants, and you could even sell tickets to attend the finals.

Non uniform Day: Get fancy with a non uniform day where students can raise money to be allowed to wear their own clothes to school for the day. This could also be a wear blue day.

Talent show: Take the annual talent show and give it a fresh twist by adding a fundraising component. Allow students and faculty to donate towards the goal of revealing a hidden talent from someone special. Be as intriguing as possible to raise as much money as possible! For instance, if your Principal can ride a unicycle while juggling, tease out that information while you're fundraising. The more secret talents you have on your roster the better!



Candy jar count: Another example of a quick and easy fundraiser with low overhead but fun results. All you need is a large jar that you can fill up with candy (M&Ms or Skittles are a prime choice) and tickets you can sell for staff and students to take a guess at how many candies are in the jar. You can either offer the candy as the prize, or have different prizes depending on how close the guesses are!

Art Attack: Run an arty competition for pupils to create artwork based around a fun theme.

Disney day: A magical twist to your usual mufti day. Ask pupils to make a donation to dress up as their favourite Disney character for the day.

Games day: Let pupils bring in toys and games to play with on the last day of term and ask for a donation in return.

Olympic-themed fun day: Get excited about the Olympics all over again by holding your own version – you could even split pupils into teams and give them names of countries.

Sponge throw: Ask pupils to donate in return for getting to launch soapy sponges at teachers. Best done on a sunny day.

