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FORESTERS FRIENDLY SOCIETY GRANTS £1,000 TO ORPINGTON FAMILY

Grant funds New Year tricycle joy for child with cerebral palsy

A family in Orpington, Kent have benefited from a Foresters Friendly Society grant of over £1,000 to fund the purchase of a special mobility tricycle¹ for their four year old daughter, who was born with cerebral palsy, a condition which impairs mobility and balance.

Gabriella Rolls will now benefit from using the tricycle which will help her to exercise, develop her posture and will provide her more freedom to enjoy life to the full, as well as playing alongside her twin brother Freddie, who does not suffer from the condition.

Both Gabriella and Freddie already have Child Trust Fund accounts with the Foresters Friendly Society. This entitled their parents to apply for the special grant from the Society.

Gabriella's mother, Mrs Efthalia Rolls, said: "As parents of a child with cerebral palsy we work really hard to ensure that Gabriella has as much freedom as we can possibly give her, as well as every opportunity to play alongside her brother and her other friends.

"Receiving this new tricycle not only made a fantastic Christmas present for Gabriella but also reminded our family of the fantastic support given by Foresters Friendly Society to its members.

Chris Morris, Foresters Friendly Society Area Co-Ordinator, added: "As a mutual organisation we are fully committed to protecting the needs and interests of our members. We are delighted to have been able to help Gabriella and the Rolls family by providing a grant for the tricycle and hope that its arrival really helps to improve Gabriella's everyday life."

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¹ The tricycle is made by a company called Quest 88, which specialises in the manufacture of a range of tricycles for children with special needs. Website is as follows:
http://www.specialfamilies.org/quest_88_tricycles.html

About Foresters Friendly Society

Foresters Friendly Society was founded in 1834 and offers a range of financial saving, investment, insurance and protection products, as well as educational grants and healthcare support for its members. All financial products come with the accompanying benefits of membership of the Society at no additional cost. There is no obligation to purchase a financial product in order to become a member. The Society currently includes over 70,000 members across 250 UK branches.

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