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Sky bound staff practice their moves for Acorns charity

Staff at Midlands based Oakland International are making ready for next month's sponsored sky dive in aid of children's charity Acorns Children's Hospice, already raising an amazing £1,435 of their £10,000 target.

Team Oakland has been busy raising personal and team sponsorship and gearing up for their 'jump of a lifetime'. Speaking on behalf of the team, Lisa Lloyd-Smith said: "We all still can't believe we actually agreed to jump out of a plane, but then again it's for a great cause and it will certainly give us something to talk about for years to come."



A specialist in the supply chain arena of warehousing and logistics, Oakland previously raised £1,000 for the charity by taking part in a 'It's a Knockout Challenge', with the team focused on raising the stakes to achieve their sponsorship target of £10,000 by the 25th September.

Said Lisa: "Oakland International is always supporting community and fundraising initiatives and encouraging us all to take part, and this jump will be my second team challenge this year."

With Acorns such an amazing organization, they all jumped at the chance to take part. Oakland Team members include Keith Davies, Lisa Lloyd-Smith, Kazik Libront, Yvette Hannon and Ben Ford.

Lucy Shepherd, Acorns Treks and Challenges officer, commented: "The support of organisations such as Oakland International is crucial in helping us raise the vital funds needed to provide the care and support for local life limited children and their families.

"It costs £4,500 per day to run each of our hospices and there is no charge to families. We rely on fundraising for over 70% of our income so commitment such as this is invaluable."

In the region, Acorns Children's Hospice currently cares for nearly 600 life limited and life threatened children and young people and 800 families, including those that are bereaved. The lifeline provided includes short break, emergency and end of life care, with a community team to support the family 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Please help and make a donation today. Donations can be made by logging on to Oakland's JustGiving web page at www.justgiving.com/oakland-international or by contacting the Company direct.

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Image L to R: SkyDive2 - The team, Lisa Lloyd- Smith, Kazik Libront, Keith Davies and Ben Ford (centre front) try their jump suits for size and get ready for sky-action!

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