



FUNDRAISING

A-Z FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Do your own thing!

A

Abseil

Scale the dizzy heights of a local landmark.

Aerobics

Organise a sponsored aerobathon with the help of gyms, leisure centres and shops.

Afternoon Tea

Put the kettle on and get baking! Entertain guests with raffles, auctions, and live music.

Arts & Crafts Stall

Make jewellery, flower arrangements, ceramics, stained glass mirrors and more, and sell!

Art Exhibition

Stage an exhibition for local artists. Charge entrance fee and commission.

Auction

Auction off items, experiences, holidays, or services - anything you can! Take a percentage of sales.

B

Bad tie day

Charge your colleagues a pound to come in wearing their most daring tie, award the winner!

Barbecue

Have music, sports, and games to make it a day's event!

Bingo

Hold a one-off evening or regular sessions!

Board Game Night

Invite friends over to play Scrabble, Monopoly, Cleudo and more! Charge entrance or game fee.

Boat Race

Scale the dizzy heights of a local landmark.

Book Sale

Sell old books, collected from everyone you know!

Bungee Jump

Raise sponsorship by flying in the face of fear.

C

Cake Stall

Hold a traditional cake stand at a fair, at school, or at work. Get creative!

Car Boot Sale

Gather things from home that you no longer need and sell them at a nearby car boot sale.

Car Wash

Wash your friend's cars and ask for a donation!

Carnival

Arrange a carnival in your area, charging for each performer or float entered.

Carol Concert

Host a festive concert for your local community. Earn more by selling minced pies and mulled wine.

Carol Singing

Get a group together and go door-to-door singing your favourite Christmas carols.

Charity Ball

Raise sponsorship the sophisticated way. Organise a themed ball with DJ or live music, charge for tickets and boost your earnings with games and raffles.

Coffee Morning

It's open house for the morning. Make extra with raffles, and drinks and cake stalls.

Concert

Entertain the crowds with your own recital or hire bands of musicians.

D

Dancing

Barn dances, ballroom dances, disco dances - whatever rocks your boat.

Darts Tournament

Challenge all the pub teams in the area to compete for cash prizes.

Disco

Stage a themed disco night and charge for entry.

Dog Show

Charge proud pet-owners to show off their pooches. Ask pet shops to sponsor the event.

Duck Race

Sell numbered plastic ducks and launch them from a bridge. The duck to finish first wins.

E

Easter Egg Hunt

Edible hide and seek. Charge entry fee and ask sweet shops or supermarkets to provide the eggs.

Eating Marathon

Get sponsored to eat as many cakes, baked beans, grapes, etc as possible.

Eyebrow Shave

Get sponsored to shave your eyebrows - they grow back eventually!

F

Face Painting

Get creative and charge for face painting at fetes, fairs, or children's parties.

Fancy Dress

Charge entry fee and have a prize for the best fancy dress costume.

Fashion Show

Ask businesses to sponsor venue, outfits or catwalk. Charge admission and sales commission.

Film Evening

Recreate an evening of vintage cinema by showing classic films and musicals.

Flower Arranging

Make your own fresh, dried or silk arrangements to sell at craft fairs or fetes.

Furniture Sale

Hire a large hall to sell donated furniture and old office equipment. Take sales commission.

Fun Run

Host a friendly race in your local community and ask for sponsorship.

G

Game Show

Host a mock version of Who Wants To Be A Millionaire or The Weakest Link. Or, adapt board games for big audiences, and get prizes donated.

Garage Sale

Sell your unwanted belongings.

Garden Party

Sell tickets or invite guests to make a donation.

Gardening

Offer your gardening services to friends or family.

Greeting Cards

Create and sell Christmas cards for stem4.

H

Halloween Party

Another excuse to dress up and party. Charge entrance fees and raise money trick or treating.

Head Shave

Sick of bad hair days? Go bald for stem4.

I

Indoor Market

Rent out stalls to local traders or take a cut of the profits.

Ice Bucket Challenge

Be brave and face the cold, take donations and raise money for stem4.

Iron Man Challenge

Hold an iron man event and see who can tough it out for stem4.

J

Jam Making

Try your hand at making some jam at home to sell.

Jazz Night

Take in some smooth tunes at your own jazz night.

Jewellery Making

Buy your own beads and get threading! Sell your products at markets and craft fairs.

Jigsaw Marathon

See how can complete the most puzzles the fastest.

Joke-a-thon

Crack out your best jokes to exchange laughs for donations.

Jumble Sale

See what old or unwanted items you have lying around to sell.

K

Karaoke

Organise a karaoke night - charge entry fee and arrange a prize for the best performer!

Kayak Race

Take to the water and see who wins a charity kayak race.

Kick a Habit

Challenge yourself to break a bad habit whilst raising money.

Knitting

Use your knitting skills to create some items to sell.

L

Learn a New Skill

Get sponsored to learn a new useful skill.

Lego Contest

See who can build the most impressive lego creation.

Loose Change Collection

Ask people to donate any loose change they have and raise money for stem4.

M

Makeover

Ask people to donate skills for hairdressing, makeup, manicures, etc.

Mini-Olympics

Invite everyone you know to compete in traditional and silly sports. Charge entry.

Mountain Climb

Rise to the top with a mountain climb challenge.

Mufti Day

Introduce a dress down day at work or at school, charge everybody £1 and donate to stem4.

Murder Mystery

Find out who done it at a murder mystery night with your friends or colleagues.

Music Concert

Entertain the crowds with your own recital or hire musicians.

N

Name the Bear

Charge people £1 to name a bear at your work or school, whoever picks the best name wins a prize.

Netball Tournament

Take to the court for charity netball matches.

New Year's Resolutions

Get sponsored to stick to your new year's resolutions.

Nighttime Walk

Walk with friends all night long and get sponsored to raise money for stem4.

O

Obstacle Course

Get your friends together and see who can complete the obstacle course the fastest.

Open Mic Night

Let anyone take to the stage in an open mic event.

Open Garden

Open your garden to visitors. Sell tickets, refreshments, plants and vegetables.

Opera Night

Stage an opera evening in your area or arrange a trip to see a big London production.

Outward Bound

Go climbing, hiking, camping, etc, in preparation for your trip. Seek sponsorship.

P

Paintballing

Organise paintballing challenges at locally run centres. Players pay to enter.

Pancake Race

Get flipping on Shrove Tuesday. Charge teams to enter, and spectators to eat.

Pantomime

Stage a pantomime production with friends, family and colleagues.

Parachute Jump

Daredevils only! Get sponsored to take the plunge for stem4.

Penalty Shootout

Step up to the line for a penalty shootout tournament.

Plank Challenge

See who has the strength to hold out the longest.

Pledges

Gather pledges of support, donations and services. These could be auctioned or raffled off.

Private Tuition

Whether it's French or Flamenco, sell your skills with private lessons as raffle tickets.

Q

Quizzes

If your local doesn't run a pub quiz, set one up. Test the regulars on pop, trivial or sport and raise money for stem4.

R

Raffle

Ask local firms to donate prizes and sell tickets. Check raffle laws with your local authority.

Raft Race

Teams compete by building their rafts and racing over a set distance. Teams pay to compete.

Read-A-Thon

Challenge people to get reading for charity.

Roaring 20s Party

Host a decadent theme party for your friends - charge entrance fee and donate.

Rock Climbing

See who can reach the top in a rock climbing challenge.

Run

Test your endurance by challenging yourself to do a sponsored run.

S

Santa's Grotto

Create your own Winter Wonderland and charge to meet Father Christmas.

Scavenger Hunt

Variation on the treasure hunt where participants have a list of items to collect.

Sky Dive

Take to the skies and get sponsored for a charity sky dive.

Sports Day

Get nostalgic and run a school sports day theme event in your local community.

Sponsored Silence

Get sponsored to stay silent for as long as you can.

Street Party

Get all of your neighbours involved with a local street party and take collections for stem4.

Swimathon

Go down to the pool and get sponsored per length, mile, minute, hour ...

T

Table Tennis

See who edges out the competition at a table tennis tournament.

Table Top Sale

Indoor variation on the car boot sale. Charge for table hire.

Talent Show

Give everyone the chance to show off their best talents.

Ten-pin bowling

Bowling alleys often have special rates for big groups & charity evenings.

Tombola

Pick a raffle ticket out of a barrel and match it with a ticketed prize.

Toy Sale

In the run up to Christmas, toy sales can be big fundraisers.

Treasure Hunt

Sniffing out the clues, teams compete against each other to discover the 'hidden treasure'.

U

Ultimate Frisbee

Take to your local park for an ultimate frisbee competition.

Uniform Free Day

Skip the uniform for a day in return for a small donation.

University Challenge

Host your own University Challenge style event.

Unwanted Presents

Arrange a post-Christmas sale of unwanted gifts. Ask traders to donate a cut of their takings.

V

Variety Show

Hold a local variety show and enjoy an evening of entertainment.

Village Fete

Organise a village fete to help raise money for stem4.

Vintage Sale

Rummage through your wardrobe and find vintage clothes to sell.

W

Walks

Lead organised walks to historical spots and places of interest. Ghost walks are also popular.

Water Sports

Let others splash out as you splash in. Teach water sports or get sponsored to take part.

Wedding Gifts

Instead of gifts, you can ask for donations to charity.

Window Cleaning

Offer to clean neighbourhood windows for a donation.

Wine Tasting

Enjoy delicious wines at your own wine tasting event, charge entrance fee.

World Record

Challenge people to try and break a world record.

X, Y, Z

X Factor Night

Host your own X Factor Style singing contest - charge entrance fee and award the winner.

Yoga Marathon

Get relaxed with a day of yoga with your friends.

Zero Waste Day

Challenge yourself to go fully zero waste for a week.

Zip Wire

Soar through the sky as you take on a zip wire challenge, ask for sponsorship.

Zodiac Evening

Invite a guest astrologer for a star-studded fundraiser. Charge for entry and horoscopes.

#GOPURPLE for stem4



Looking to fundraise for stem4?

#Go Purple

stem4
supporting teenage mental health
registered charity No. 1144506

GO PURPLE

What is #GoPurple?

stem4's #GoPurple initiative encourages you to combine raising money with promoting wellbeing within your own community. How about pairing a purple-themed fundraising activity with a self-run wellbeing event to encourage positive thinking?

How can you #GoPurple?

Here are some ideas to help you get started:

- How many purple items can you wear at the same time?
- Host a purple-themed bake sale.
- Print out some purple characters, write a message on each, and connect these on the walls around the school hall or from classroom to classroom.

We have a wealth of resources to help you along the way. To find out more, or to receive the materials you need to #GoPurple at your school please contact fundraising@stem4.org.uk.

For more fundraising ideas, visit stem4.org.uk/get-involved

Set up your own fundraiser at stem4.enthuse.com/profile

If you are organising a fundraising event and would like some help, please email us at fundraising@stem4.org.uk