



# M.B.F. Newsletter



# £169,000 awarded to Smile Support & Care

*CEO is Guest Speaker at Mark Grand Lodge*

At the next Communication of Mark Grand Lodge on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March we are pleased to host a special guest speaker from the Smile Support & Care Charity. Stuart Baldwin, Chief Executive Officer, will be giving a short talk detailing the work and achievements of this very special organisation.

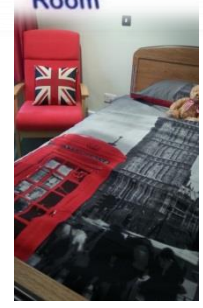
The Mark Benevolent Fund awarded grants totalling £169,000 to help complete the project. The centre has been specially commissioned to provide respite care for disabled children and their families in Hampshire. It boasts one of the most advanced sensory rooms in the UK to help inspire and stimulate the learning of children up to the age of 18.



The complex houses 10 ensuite bedrooms for the children and 2 specially self-contained flats for the use of parents and carers. Last month our Grand Master, M.W.Bro. H.R.H. Prince Michael of Kent, GCVO, opened the new centre and met with centre staff and trustees from the Mark Benevolent Fund.



HRH Prince Michael of Kent Room



Noah's Ark Room

The Mark Master Mason Room

Also in attendance was Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Raymond Smith; President of the Mark Benevolent Fund, R.W.Bro. John Prizeman, Prov.G.M. for Hampshire & Isle of Wight; Grand Secretary, R.W.Bro. Lt Cdr Angus Hannagan, RD, P.G.J.W., and Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W.Bro. Kessick Jones, P.G.J.W.

We look forward to seeing you all at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London at 2pm.

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