

# Memo to Staff

from the Executive Director  
July 13, 2017

## Exciting News for CHEO, with Love from Global

Greetings Global Colleagues!

A couple of weeks ago I sent you a memo officially launching our third fundraising campaign for CHEO, noting that we had already raised \$425 towards our **\$6000 goal**. I am thrilled to report that a mere *eight days later*, thanks to the brilliant efforts of our wonderful Rideau Valley Child Care Centre team, we surpassed our goal by \$179!

The Rideau Valley Rebels held a special CHEO fundraising event for families on June 30 and raised an *astounding* \$5,754. Parents pledged money for their children's participation in a Canada Day Dance-a-Thon; the children enjoyed a bouncy castle; the CHEO Bear hung out; 10 items were donated to a silent auction; 20 items were donated for raffles, and a gentleman named Brad Nixon donated all sales at the event from his chip truck!

Thank you to the caring and enthusiastic Rideau Valley Team for coordinating such a terrific event, and thank you to the Rideau Valley families, staff and friends who made donations and dug into their wallets to make it such a success for CHEO.

The money from this campaign will allow CHEO to purchase for the \*OCTC library its first eye gaze technology equipment to lend to families! Families will be able to sign it out and take it home, where they can become familiar with the technology and master the use of it, before proceeding to purchase the equipment themselves (or applying for funding to be able to do so). For those families who will have to wait before being able to purchase the eye-gaze technology equipment for their child, in the interim they can access the equipment on loan from the OCTC library, thanks to Global Child Care Services♥.

I will be sending a \$6000 cheque to CHEO in short order. To say the least, they are amazed and grateful.

So, I say: onward to CHEO Campaign #4 – they'll need more than one Eye Gaze Technology unit, after all...

With pride,

