

## Fancy getting your hands dirty?

Marie Curie Cancer Care is inviting all children aged 3-11 to get their hands dirty this autumn by growing their own daffodils for the charity's *Mini Pots of Care* fundraising activity.

Mini Pots of Care is a creative and educational project for schools and groups which teaches children about science and nature, as well as the work of Marie Curie Nurses.

Each child taking part will receive their own plant pot and daffodil bulb to plant in the autumn term. The children will then care for their flowers over the winter months, to reflect the work of Marie Curie Nurses, who provide free care to patients with terminal cancer and other illnesses in their own homes.

In the spring, children celebrate their daffodils in bloom by holding a Mini Pots of Care Day when,

they have fun painting their pots, learning about the work of the Marie Curie Cancer Care and fundraising.

Free detailed lesson plans supporting Key Stages 1 and 2 of the National Curriculum for England and Wales and equivalent for Scotland and Northern Ireland are available online. Activity resources for youth groups are also available to download from the Marie Curie Cancer Care website.

The initiative is supported by premium express delivery company City Link, which coordinates the distribution and delivery of the kits to schools and groups free of charge.

Register by August 31st, 2011 and receive your free planting kit before the end of September. Please visit

<u>www.mariecurie.org.uk/minipotsofcare</u> or call 08700 340 040 to register. Registrations close on October 7, 2011