



Help a child
like Molly
this winter

How you helped Molly

With your support, last month the Catholic Children's Society (CCS) was able to help two-year-old Molly, her aunt and family:

Earlier this year Molly's mum died and she moved in with her aunt. Molly's aunt worked as a midwife and lived with her two children in a small flat. Molly was very distressed – she could not understand where her mum was or what was happening, so her aunt took unpaid leave to care for her niece and help her settle into her new home.

After a month, Molly's aunt began to struggle financially. She was just about able to pay her rent and essential bills, but could not afford enough food and had no money to heat their home. Then the washing machine broke and Molly's aunt had to handwash all their clothes in the sink. Clothes did not dry in the cold flat, so her children went to school in musty, often dirty uniforms.

Noticing this change, the children's Headteacher met with Molly's aunt to check if she was ok. Molly's aunt immediately broke down in tears and explained what had happened. She said:

"All I want to do is look after Molly and show her how much she is loved.

"I'm scared of losing her . . . people might think I can't look after Molly and take her away from her family."

The Headteacher called CCS and asked if we could help.

Thanks to our supporters, we were able to give the family funds for a new washing machine and clothes dryer, and helped the family cover food and heating costs whilst Molly's aunt was off work.

Through our Christmas Gift Appeal, we also provided gifts for the children so they had presents to open on Christmas Day.

When she found out we could help, Molly's aunt got in touch to say:

"Thank you so much for this support. I can't believe help like this exists . . .

"It was so quick and discreet, I did not feel judged at all, only offered kindness."



Help more children this winter

Please go to our website [www.cathchild.org.uk / donate](http://www.cathchild.org.uk/donate) to donate now and help more children like Molly over the cold winter months.

Thank you.

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