**THE SANDHU CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

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## The Santon Charity gives a new boost to the Anne Frank Trust's education programme in London

The Anne Frank Trust UK, the British partner organisation of the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, recently received a boost to their educational work through a £20,000 gift from The Santon Group's Charity, The Sandhu Charitable Foundation, set up by Bim and Pardeep Sandhu of The Santon Group.

The Anne Frank Trust empowers young people to challenge prejudice and hatred and to embrace positive attitudes, responsibility and respect for others. Using Anne's life and diary as a starting point, The Trust educates over 70,000 young people a year in schools, colleges, prisons and community settings.

In January, Bim and Pardeep paid a visit to Acton High School to the Trust's London Schools Project in action. Joined by journalist and broadcaster Kelvin Mackenzie, Bim and Pardeep were given a special tour of the exhibition by pupils aged 13 who had been trained as Anne Frank guides. Later that month, they attended the Anne Frank Trust Holocaust Memorial Day Lunch where they lit a candle in memory of all victims of hate crime and genocide.

Recent grants from the Department for Communities and Local Government, the Cabinet Office's Social Action Fund and the Big Lottery Fund are helping to further extend the reach and numbers of participants in Anne Frank programmes around the UK.

The Trust's co-founder and executive Director Gillian Walnes MBE said: "*We are so grateful to The Sandhu Charitable Foundation for the support of our work in breaking down barriers of prejudice and bigotry. Sadly the need for our work does not abate but grows year on year.*"

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