

SLS put on their dancing shoes to support the Children with Leukaemia Charity Ball

SLS staff were honoured to be invited to the Children with Leukaemia Charity Ball at the Grosvenor House Hotel on the 13th November. Having received the invitation from Kay Tott at the Wolfson Institute, Hayley Holmes, Sandie Hurley and Nicola Brick all donned their party dresses to support the cause.

This trio of Sales Managers represented SLS at the charity event which raised a massive £410,000. Not content with simply attending the event, SLS also donated a signed Hull City Football Shirt, which raised a respectable £260!

SLS' Managing Director Peter Chapman explained "when I heard about the invitation, I knew I couldn't send the girls empty handed. As Hull City Football Club sponsors, I knew the team would be happy to sign a shirt for the occasion and I was very proud to be able to hand over the prized shirt!"

The event was hosted by Carol Vordeman and Alan Carr and featured performances, a number of silent auctions and general auctions throughout the evening. A whole host of celebrities attended the glamorous occasion including Gavin Henson, Linda Robson, Paul Young and ex-Eastender Joe Absolom.

Nicola said "The event was a truly spectacular experience – the highlight for me had to be all of the SLS girls right at the front of the stage for Madness! It was an absolute privilege to be a part of something so special"

The event was held as a tribute to the O'Gorman family who set up the charity after they lost their son Paul to Leukaemia in 1987. Paul has inspired many people and was recognised by UCL in 2007 when they named the Paul O'Gorman building after him.

Nicola concluded "it was a truly humbling experience, watching so many people dig deep to support the charity. The event was a truly personal and moving tribute to Paul and his family."

The charity funds research into the causes and treatments of Leukaemia, supports families with welfare programmes and campaigns on their behalf. Over 1000 members of the public attended the event alongside the spattering of celebrities.

For more information about the Children with Leukaemia charity and its work go to www.leukaemia.org.