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**THE ARK CENTRE GETS A HELPING HAND FROM THE SCREWFIX FOUNDATION**

The Ark Centre is celebrating after being awarded £3,000 worth of funding from The Screwfix Foundation, a charity which supports projects to fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and facilities for those in need.

Sally Johns Green from The Ark Centre comments: “We are very grateful to The Screwfix Foundation for donating these much-needed funds to support our charity. We have a pre-school Nursery, a domestic violence support project, parent and child groups, respite sessions, counselling and Outreach support for families. All our projects fully include children with special needs. The funding will be used to carry out essential repairs and renovations to our elderly building. We’d like to thank everyone who was involved in the fundraising – it’s been a great help to us.”

Brian Arber, Store Manager of the Clacton on Sea Screwfix store, comments: “We’re really pleased that one of our local charities has been awarded funding by The Screwfix Foundation. Staff from across the business have held a variety of fundraising events to raise vital funds for The Screwfix Foundation, so it’s fantastic to see the money we have raised being invested back into such a worthwhile community project.”

The Screwfix Foundation, which celebrates its fifth birthday this year, donates much needed funding to help a variety of local projects throughout the UK, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

It also works closely with two national charity partners, Barnardo’s children’s charity and Macmillan Cancer Support, as well as supporting smaller, local registered charities like The Ark Centre.

Relevant projects from across Clacton On Sea are invited to apply online for a share of the funding at screwfixfoundation.com.

For more information about The Screwfix Foundation, visit screwfixfoundation.com.

Picture Caption;- Left to right Brian Arber and Sally Johns Green.

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**Note to editors**

**About The Screwfix Foundation:**

The Screwfix Foundation is a charity set up by Screwfix in April 2013. We have a clear purpose of raising funds to support projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities specifically for those in need in the UK.

The Screwfix Foundation raises funds throughout the year to support causes that will change people’s lives. Working with both national and local charities, The Screwfix Foundation donates much needed funding to help all sorts of projects, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

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