

# Becci's Curry Night Guide

Becci organised a fantastic curry night that raised over £600 towards her London Marathon fundraising, read on to find out how she did it!

## What you'll need

- Venue and food
- Charity buckets/pots to collect spare change
- Charity banners to decorate the venue
- Raffle prizes
- Jar of sweets and guess sheet
- Microphone



## Getting ready for the event

- I found a venue that specialises in hosting charity events by searching online. Once I had the venue confirmed, I created a Facebook event and invited everyone I know.
- I took deposits from everyone and explained that tickets cost £20 for the Indian buffet and disco - with £12 covering the cost of the food/venue and £8 going to charity.
- I emailed lots of companies asking if they would help by donating raffle prizes, as well as asking friends/family if they had any unwanted presents they wouldn't mind donating.
- I also had a game of 'guess the sweets in the jar' to bring in a few extra donations in addition to the raffle, and I decorated the venue using MRF balloons and banners.

## On the day

- Get to the venue early to set up your prizes and any equipment
- Collect everyone's money up front for the meal and make sure all drinks are bought at the bar
- Recruit some friends and family to help you set everything up and sell raffle tickets etc.

## Post event

- Clean up and make sure you don't leave the venue in a messy state, you want to stay in their good books in case you want to use the venue again for future fundraisers!
- Thank your volunteers, the venue, and any businesses/individuals who donated raffle prizes, and let them know how much you raised thanks to their generosity and support

## The important bits

- Be aware of alcohol consumption at the event and avoid promoting drinking.
- Make it clear that non-alcoholic drinks are available and make sure nobody under the age of 18 is consuming alcohol.



## Top tips

- Add a raffle and some kind of game in order to maximise donations
- Get in touch with companies months in advance to allow time to collect prizes, and don't be afraid to chase them up if they don't get back to you initially!
- If you know anyone else who is fundraising for your challenge then you could double up and run the event together - double the people means double the money raised!