

# Grant a Sick Child's Wish Today!

By Make-A-Wish Foundation®

**M**ake-A-Wish Foundation® grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

Diagnosed with lymphoma, four-year-old Maeve wished for a princess-themed fancy dress party to celebrate the end of her chemotherapy. She was full of anticipation for her "no chemo party", as her family called it. On her Wish Day in November 2011, Maeve was surprised in her hotel room at the Grand Hyatt with a visit from Cinderella and Snow White, and was presented with her own Princess Belle dress. Her look of joy and excitement was priceless. Princes and princesses, knights and damsels streamed into the ballroom for the party, which was hosted by our very own Princess Jasmine. When the family finally arrived, they were welcomed not only with confetti and bubbles, but an array of games, entertainment and food. It was a magical day indeed for Princess Maeve and her royal family.



Princess Maeve

## Who is eligible for a wish?

Children who are Singaporeans or Singapore PRs, aged from 3 to 18 years, and diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition are eligible for a wish. We define a "life-threatening medical condition" as a progressive, degenerative or malignant one. Cancer, tumours, organ failures, and neurological conditions like muscular dystrophy and epilepsy are the most common conditions which beneficiaries suffer from. There is no household income requirement and 100% of the wish cost is funded by Make-A-Wish.

The most common misconception is that a wish is for terminally ill children. This is *not* true! Studies have shown that the wishes complement medical efforts, giving a positive and uplifting relief to the children and their families. So many of our Wish Children overcome their conditions and go on to lead happy and healthy lives.

So, refer a child today by calling us at 6334 9474 or using the form at [http://www.makeawish.org.sg/files/Wish Referral Form.doc](http://www.makeawish.org.sg/files/Wish%20Referral%20Form.doc). If you would like to volunteer with us, email [volunteer@makeawish.org.sg](mailto:volunteer@makeawish.org.sg). For more information, visit our website at <http://www.makeawish.org.sg>.

Thank you in advance for helping us make a difference in the lives of these special children. **SMA**



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