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Bone Cancer Research Trust Awareness Week 20 – 27 June 2009

The Bone Cancer Research Trust is holding its second Awareness Week during 20 – 27 June 2009. This builds on the success of its Awareness Week held in 2008 which focused on the problems of delayed diagnosis in primary bone cancer.

The theme for 2009 is the need to improve survival for young people affected by bone cancer. This means making bone cancer a healthcare priority by increasing research in the area and by making new treatments available to patients.

A major fund raising event, Bake a Cake for Bone Cancer, will take place during the week. Fronted by James Corden, “Smithy” from the BBC TV series “Gavin and Stacey”, BCRT supporters are being encouraged to hold events ranging from a cake auction to a picnic in the park to raise vital funds for research.

The week will finish with the 3rd conference for bone cancer patients and their supporters, to be held in St Albans on Saturday 27 June. The conference will cover recent research and will give patients and their families the opportunity to question experts in bone cancer.

BCRT website (www.bonecancerresearch.org.uk).