Social Action Programs

Contributing to Local Communities

Bringing Smiles to Children’s Faces at Nitto ATP Finals

During the Nitto ATP Finals, which were held at London’s The O2 Arena from the 12th to the 19th of November, the Nitto Group organized a variety of charitable activities. Through these activities, we hoped to bring to life our mission of “bringing smiles on the faces of the children.”

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Through the British children’s hospital Great Ormond Street Hospital and the children’s cancer charity CLIC Sargent, we invited young patients battling serious diseases and their family members to enjoy the Nitto ATP Finals as our VIP guests. The 57 invitees all thoroughly enjoyed watching the exciting matches and their faces beamed with smiles as they were presented with special gifts which included premium Nitto Group products. As a special surprise, they were also individually greeted by the players and left the arena with personal words of encouragement from them.

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For a few weeks leading up to Christmas of 2017, Nitto Denko U.K. Ltd. (NUK) set up a table in its canteen to collect foodbank donations. Staff members were asked to donate any unwanted non-perishable food items from their kitchens, such as pasta and tinned foods, and ten boxes full of food were delivered to the Bridge Street Methodist Church in NUK’s hometown of Mansfield. The Church runs a soup kitchen to help feed the homeless and less fortunate, and later sent a letter of thanks to NUK.

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Monetary Donations to the 2018 National Sports Festivals* in Fukui, Japan

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