## **HORIZONS** Children's Sailing Charity



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Dear trustees of the Worshipful Company of Shipwrights,

## Wishing you a very happy holiday season from Horizons Children's Sailing Charity, Plymouth!

Thank you so much for your generous support of our work in 2021-2022. It has been wonderful to be back on the water in 2022, and our young sailors have been delighted to return too.

The 2022 season has been a great success, overall our participation rates and activity delivery has made a remarkable recovery after Covid 19. The beginning of our season was a little slow and hesitant which was to be expected in the immediate aftermath of Covid 19. However we quickly gained momentum and by the end of the season in October we had achieved activity delivery across the 2022 season at 83% of pre-Covid levels.

- Our after school youth cadet sailing club has operated at full capacity, equal to pre-covid
- The RYA summer school courses for cadets ran a full programme that was also well attended.
- Our educational school groups project has also delivered at full capacity, and even slightly exceeded pre-covid levels.
- Our private groups for local charities and disability services have not fully recovered to precovid levels. We believe this may be a reflection of the financial strain that many charities are facing. We will be reviewing this aspect of our work, and talking to our local partners over the winter.

Our team at Horizons are feeling optimistic about the future and we hope to hit the ground running in 2023, and get back up to 100% of our pre-covid levels of operation and activity delivery.

Our new RIB safety boat is currently under construction and should be delivered to us in the new year. This will be a great addition to our fleet and we would like to thank you once again for your support in making this possible.

We have attached our annual facts and figures and our latest newsletter for your reference. Please be aware that this year our longstanding fundraiser Annette has moved on to her well-earned retirement, and we have welcomed Kathy into this role. If there is any additional information that you would like to receive from Horizons please do not hesitate to let Kathy know on kathy@horizonsplymouth.org

Wishing you a safe and joyous holiday season,

Best wishes from Simon, Lois and Kathy at Horizons Plymouth.

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