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Over £4000 has been raised from a variety show performance organised by National Grid's choir to enable Round Oak School's Music of Life programme to continue.

The show included acts from National Grid's choir, Gridtones, who performed with Round Oak choir and other National Grid acts at the Bridge House Theatre, Warwick.

Round Oak are a special education school based in Warwick and one of National Grid's Employability Partner schools. The Music of Life programme provides numerous mental health and wellbeing benefits to the pupils.

Ruth Turnbull, Assistant Director of the Gridtones and Communications Assistant at National Grid said, "Our goal is to engage employees and those in the community, promoting positive mental health and wellbeing through song. Our choir has had the privilege of singing with Round Oak choir on several occasions. So when we heard that the funding for the Music of Life programme had been reduced we wanted to do something to help."

The money raised means the programme can continue for another 18 months.

Jane Naylor, Head Teacher of Round Oak School said, "Thanks to the magnificent efforts from everyone involved, Round Oak School Choir can continue its work through the next year."

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National Grid in the UK:

- We own and operate the electricity transmission network in England and Wales, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. We
 also operate, but do not own, the Scottish networks. Our networks comprise approximately 7,200 kilometres (4,474 miles) of overhead line, 1,500
 kilometres (932 miles) of underground cable and 342 substations.
- We own and operate the gas National Transmission System in Great Britain, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. Our network comprises approximately 7,660 kilometres (4,760 miles) of high-pressure pipe and 618 above-ground installations.
- As Great Britain's System Operator (SO) we make sure gas and electricity is transported safely and efficiently from where it is produced to where it is
 consumed. From April 2019, Electricity System Operator (ESO) is a new standalone business within National Grid, legally separate from all other
 parts of the National Grid Group. This will provide the right environment to deliver a balanced and impartial ESO that can realise real benefits for
 consumers as we transition to a more decentralised, decarbonised electricity system.
- Other UK activities mainly relate to businesses operating in competitive markets outside of our core regulated businesses; including interconnectors,
 gas metering activities and a liquefied natural gas (LNG) importation terminal all of which are now part of National Grid Ventures. National Grid
 Property is responsible for the management, clean-up and disposal of surplus sites in the UK. Most of these are former gas works.

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