



Fourth Grade "Top" Math class including teachers Ms. Reardon (left) and Mrs. Saffiotti (right), helped raise funds for a \$100,000 donation to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia by the Kortney Rose Foundation. Foundation president Kristen Gillette is in foreground.

## Foundation makes \$100K donation

Oceanport — On December 11, Kristen and Rich Gillette presented a \$100,000 check to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) in memory of their daughter, Kortney, who died of a brain tumor. The timing is especially poignant as the Gillettes would have been celebrating Kortney's 12th birthday at this time.

Through the Kortney Rose Foundation (KRF) they support advances in research and treatment and raise awareness of pediatric brain tumors.

Kortney's mom and president of the Kortney Rose Foundation, Kristen Gillette, said, "When we set the goal of donating \$100,000 in 2008 we knew it was a lofty one. We are very grateful for all of the continued support we have received. Donating into the Foundation's annual efforts around Kortney's birthday helps

turn a sad time into a more positive one and is creating her legacy of helping other children through the promise of research."

Also taking part in the check donation were Principal of Wolf Hill Elementary School Renee Bonin, math teachers Ms. Reardon and Mrs. Saffiotti, and 20 fourth grade "top" math students. These students as well as last year's fourth grade "top" math classes helped to count change in the Kortney's Coins for a CURE Program, a KRF fundraiser held at the school in May.

Several schools raised money through the fundraiser, but Bonin, Gillette and the school's "top" math teachers worked together to build the program into Wolf Hill's math curriculum. As a result, the school collected almost three-fourths of the \$15,000 raised by the program.

Principal Bonin said, "It was a