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## INTERNATIONAL EPILEPSY AWARENESS EDITION

Alexandra explains why she has requested that Lambrook supports International Epilepsy Awareness Day this year.

For most people, Halloween is a night of fun and fantasy, but for me it brings back the memories of my brother's first seizure. Aged 10 months, he was rushed into hospital and remained there for the following days. Three months later, following another four seizures, he was diagnosed with epilepsy.

Six years on from there, Teddy's epilepsy is under control, with him taking anti-epileptic drugs to limit his seizures. We may never know for sure, but some of his earliest and most severe seizures may have been the cause of him experiencing Sensory Processing Disorder and speech and language disorder, as well as having suspected ADHD and autism.

My older brother Charlie has also been diagnosed with epilepsy, but we hope he has grown out of it, with him being seizure free for the past two years. His worst seizure took place at Lambrook, four years ago, at Borders' supper. Charlie collapsed, was admitted to hospital and remained there for the next week. Epilepsy is not wished upon anyone, but by spreading awareness, more people will be able to help prevent and help anyone having a seizure.

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