

THE CARE NECESSITIES

A hug from home

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We are launching a new project, 'The Care Necessities' inspired by the experience of one of our Camp Simcha families. This project is for EVERY family who needs it for their first admission.

Samuel was diagnosed with cancer at the age of 4 and was treated at GOSH. Thankfully he finished treatment in 2018.

The medical care he received at GOSH was second to none, but his parents wanted to make sure that the incredibly stressful time they faced in hospital with Samuel is made easier for other families.

As mum Charlie said:

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When we arrived in hospital after Samuel's diagnosis of Leukemia, we had no time or headspace to think what we would need for the coming weeks. We were fortunate to have friends and family close by to fetch and carry for us, but not everyone has this luxury. After seeing family after family arriving in the wards in a similar situation to us, we thought about how we could help provide families with what they would need for their stay. We didn't want to just help with the logistics of how they were going to get what they needed, but also to provide the families with little luxuries, something familiar, something comfortable, A Hug From Home.



Camp Simcha will be putting together care packages to help families with children who have recently been diagnosed with cancer and are about to begin a long term stay in Great Ormond Street Hospital. This will be a bespoke and discreet service which offers families a little bit of comfort and support at a very difficult time.

How does it work?

- Families will fill in an online form to specify their choices
- Our Care Necessities package arrives beautifully wrapped
- The package is delivered directly to the ward by a care necessities volunteer

To find out more about this project, please email Charlie: cvanemden@aol.co.uk

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When Samuel was diagnosed our whole world fell apart. We were thrown into a scary, unfamiliar situation of hospitals and treatment and nothing felt the same. We were totally unprepared and arrived at hospital with the daunting prospect of being there for at least 3 weeks and no time to pack a bag or have the head space to think what we would need for such a stay.



About us

What we do

Camp Simcha makes a difference by bringing hope, joy and practical support to Jewish families devastated by serious childhood illness.

Our mission is to ensure that no such child or their family anywhere in the UK has to cope without our support.

Who we support

We are here for everyone in the family, supporting people across the spectrum of Jewish observance.

Whilst Camp Simcha is here to support Jewish children and their families, our hospital programmes are for all families facing the distress of time spent in hospital with a seriously ill child.



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