



making the most of every day

Our Story

2006 Michael McInerney 2008 establishes Noah's Ark. Noah's Ark becomes following the death in the first ever children's hospital of a child in his hospice to provide close family a Home Support Volunteer service 2010 Our trustees fund the purchase of the 7.5-acre 2016 nature on which The We start providing Ark, our state-of-thecreative therapies, such art children's hospice, as music and drama is built therapy 2017 2017 Construction begins at We develop a The Ark in High Barnet partnership with Great **Ormond Street Hospital** 2019 **Grand Opening of** The Ark! 2020 We provide end-of-life 2022 care for a child at The The number of children Ark for the first time we support each year reaches 350



Noah's Ark has been a beacon of light for the children and families it serves. The Ark will ensure that children across north and central London receive the best possible care and support. It's a children's hospice that has been built by the community for the community and is a fantastic example of what can be achieved when Londoners work together.

Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London, who opened The Ark in 2019





We have a range of services for children who are seriously unwell and their families. We build fun and play into everything we do, so the children and families we support can enjoy life as children and families, rather than as patients and carers.

AT THE ARK

Children and their families come to The Ark for day visits and overnight stays. We provide expert clinical care and organise fun and stimulating activities such as creative arts, sensory play and soft play. Facilities at The Ark include a hydrotherapy pool, an accessible playground, and a gaming and cinema room.

The Ark's Woodlands Wing has six children's bedrooms with adjoining bathrooms, including sensory baths with lights, sound and bubbles. Children come to Woodlands for step-down care (when children are well enough to leave hospital but not yet well enough to go home), urgent care and end of life care.

NOAH'S ARK AT HOME

Our nurses and specialist carers visit families at home or in the community to provide expert care and give parents and siblings a break.

FAMILY SUPPORT

The Family Link team provides all-round practical and emotional to help families to make the most of every day.

HOME SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS

Our trained volunteers provide award-winning, tailored support for families in their home and within their local community. Home Support Volunteers help families by undertaking tasks such as household chores or playing with siblings. They offer support in whichever way works for the family they are matched with.

THERAPIES

Our Music, Drama and Movement, Hydrotherapy and Art Therapy sessions help children develop their skills and have fun. We offer sessions in The Ark, at home and in community settings such as schools and hospitals.

ACTIVITIES AND GROUPS

We organise activities for the whole family throughout the year, including family days out, and ice-skating trips. These activities help families have fun, make friends and build a whole community of support.



SIBLING SUPPORT

We run activity groups for the siblings of babies, children

and young people who are seriously unwell, or who have died. And we provide one-to-one support, through our therapies team and our Home Support Volunteers.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Through our support groups, memory boxes and annual Memory Day we're here to make sure families whose child has died get the support they need, when they need it.



The respite care from Noah's Ark has always been really professional and reliable. Having that service gives you a lot more confidence to help you cope with the day.

Jana, mother of Samuel, who is supported by Noah's Ark



We are Noah's Ark Children's Hospice

At Noah's Ark we help babies, children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions, and their families, make the most of every day. And we support those who die young to do so in as much comfort as possible, surrounded by family.

We provide exceptional care, organise fun activities and days out, and help families do things they never thought possible. We are here to enable those we support to enjoy life as children, rather than as patients; as families, not just as carers.

We serve communities across north and central London, as well as Herts Valley, working in partnership with key NHS trusts. Children and families of all faiths and backgrounds are welcome.



The Ark has been a lifeline and a second home for us. Magnus has had some tremendous experiences here and some amazing memories have been made. It really is a



gold star operation, with the highest standard of care that we've seen in our journey with Magnus.

Richard, father of Magnus, who is supported by Noah's Ark



Supporting Noah's Ark

It takes a community to help the children and families at Noah's Ark Children's Hospice make the most of every day. Here are some of the ways you can get involved.



BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Whether they're supporting children and families at home; greeting visitors in The Ark; or helping us thrive as an organisation, our volunteers are a vital part of Noah's Ark. Could you be our newest recruit?

Please visit: www.noahsarkhospice.org.uk/volunteering for more information.

SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISING

As a charity we rely on our supporters' generosity to continue our work. You could support us through your company or community group; take part in a fundraising event; remember us in your will; or make a regular donation.

To find out more please visit: www.noahsarkhospice.org.uk/support_us

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We use social media to keep our supporters up to date with life at Noah's Ark. We're on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and Twitter. See you there!



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