

GAME ON!

ABOUT US

NAOMI HOUSE & JACKSPACE ARE HOSPICES SUPPORTING LIFE LIMITED AND LIFE THREATENED CHILDREN, YOUNG ADULTS AND THEIR FAMILIES FROM ACROSS HAMPSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, DORSET, BERKSHIRE, WEST SUSSEX, SURREY AND THE ISLE OF WIGHT.

NAOMI HOUSE NURSING AND MEDICAL STAFF PROVIDE INDIVIDUALISED NURSING CARE THAT HELPS TO ENHANCE SHORT LIVES AND ALLOWS APPROXIMATELY 550 LOCAL FAMILIES TO MAKE THE MOST OF THEIR PRECIOUS TIME WITH THEIR CHILDREN.

JACKSPACE IS THE ONLY HOSPICE FOR YOUNG ADULTS IN THE LOCAL REGIONS, OFFERING THE CARE AND SUPPORT THEY NEED, BUT ALSO GIVING THEM THE INDEPENDENCE THEY OFTEN CRAVE. THIS IS ACHIEVED THROUGH 24 HOUR NURSING CARE ALONGSIDE ACTIVITIES AND SOCIAL EVENTS BOTH AT THE HOSPICE AND FURTHER AFIELD. THE HYDROTHERAPY POOL PROVIDES FUN, RELAXATION AND THERAPY, WHILST JACKSPACE DAY SERVICE OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET FRIENDS AND ENJOY SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.

MANY OF THE YOUNG ADULTS WHO VISIT JACKSPACE LOVE GAMING. AS WELL AS BEING GREAT FUN, HERE ARE A FEW OF THE BENEFITS IT BRINGS:

- GAMING PROVIDES ESCAPISM, WHILE THEY ARE IMMersed IN THEIR GAME THEY ARE WITHOUT ANY THOUGHTS OF CARE OR MEDICATION.
- MAKING FRIENDS IS A NORMAL PART OF LIFE AT OUR HOSPICES. BEING ABLE TO CONTINUE THOSE FRIENDSHIPS INDEPENDENTLY, OUTSIDE OF OUR HOSPICE WALLS IS POSSIBLE THROUGH GAMING. GIVING THAT YOUNG PERSONAL A NEW KIND OF SOCIAL LIFE WHICH DOESN'T REQUIRE THEM TO BE HEAVILY RELIANT ON THEIR PRIMARY CAREGIVER.
- WHEN A YOUNG PERSON IS GAMING IT ENABLES THEM TO HAVE CONTROL OVER THEIR VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT, THIS IS SO BENEFICIAL BECAUSE AT TIMES IT MAY FEEL LIKE THEY DON'T HAVE CONTROL IN OTHER AREAS OF THEIR LIVES.

TO RUN A FULL YEAR OF SERVICES IT CURRENTLY COSTS £7.2 MILLION, SO WE REALLY ARE RELIANT ON THE COMMUNITY COMING TOGETHER AND SHOWING THEIR SUPPORT, JUST LIKE YOU ARE.

