

Dear Artists,

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Thank you for your kindness to local children at Shooting Star Children's Hospices

Shooting Star Children's Hospices is delighted to be the chosen charity for your prestigious Surrey Art Fair at Sandown Racecourse this September. Thank you for welcoming us.

Being part of this fantastic event not only provides Shooting Star Children's Hospices the opportunity to showcase your incredible work, but also enables us to raise vital funds. Thank you to each one of you in advance for being so kind as to donate a canvas for our stall. With your generous help, every sale made will enable us to continue to provide vital care for babies, children and young people with life-limiting conditions, and their families.

At Shooting Star Children's Hospices, we support 207 families across Surrey. From the moment they receive that devastating diagnosis to end of life, and for three years after bereavement, our bespoke care includes therapies and support groups for the whole family, specialist nursing care, respite, and symptom management. Whether families need our service for years, or just a few weeks, we're here to make every moment count.

Caring for a life-limited child can be exhausting. That's why we offer respite at the hospice to families when they need it most. Planned respite gives families a safe environment to bring their child where they know they will receive the specialist care they need, as well as have lots of opportunities to socialise and have fun.

"Day-to-day you've got two very tired parents: physically, mentally, emotionally... you can't switch off. Not only are we having to give all our time to Imogen, we're trying to give time to Brooke, too – that's why coming to the hospice is so good. It allows us to give time back to Brooke for being such an amazing big sister, and it gives us as parents time to simply chat with each other and recharge before we go again. There is nothing else like Shooting Star Children's Hospices for a family like us." - Imogen's Dad, Tristan



Once again, thank you. It's because of amazing people like you that we can continue to provide our care. We are so grateful to be part of the Surrey Art Fair and look forward to meeting you all to thank you in person during the event.

With warmest wishes,

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