## **About us**



A parent never imagines their child will be diagnosed with a life limiting or life threatening condition. But when the unimaginable happens, Acorns steps in, helping families cope at every stage of their child's life and beyond, wherever and whenever they need it.

At Acorns we understand what families are going through. We're here for them through all life's ups and downs, **sharing fun and laughter** in the good times, and **standing alongside them** in the tough times. Our dedicated teams provide not just highly **specialist clinical care** for children and young people but a range of **psychosocial services for the whole family**, including bereavement support, advocacy and a number of dedicated support groups for mums, dads, grandparents, brothers and sisters.

We have three hospices, based in Birmingham, Walsall and Worcester. Our support is offered from our hospices and in the community, across the West Midlands and Gloucestershire. Our hospices are happy, colourful environments where children can experience a range of fun and therapeutic activities, from arts and crafts sessions to hydrotherapy. Children visit Acorns for short breaks, end-of-life and emergency care.

In the past year, Acorns has cared for more than 780 children, and over 1,000 families, including those who have been bereaved.

We need £35,000 per day to provide our vital services and we rely on fundraising and donations from the community and local businesses for the bulk of this amount.

To find out more about Acorns, please visit:

acorns.org.uk



