

# Short Breaks

## Therapeutic Short Breaks

Daisy Lodge is our purpose-built therapeutic centre for families affected by cancer. A short break allows families to spend quality time together during a traumatic and challenging time and to benefit from the support of our Therapeutic Services Team. Daisy Lodge is unique in that it offers families both privacy and the opportunity to gain support from others going through similar experiences.

## Self-Catering Short Breaks

A self-catering short break at Pine, Oak or Birch Cottages just outside Coleraine provides families with private quality time together away from the daily challenges of living with cancer.

Our Therapeutic Short Break Centre Daisy Lodge in Newcastle, Co. Down.



Our Self-Catering Cottages, Pine, Oak and Birch, which are located along the edge of the River Bann, just outside Coleraine.

# How your money could help

£30

Could provide an individual support session for a child or teenager living with cancer.

£200

Could provide a family with a financial grant to help keep the family home heated whilst their child's immune system is suppressed during treatment.

£500

Could provide a group of up to 12 young people diagnosed with cancer with residential group support at our dedicated centre in Newcastle Co. Down.

£1000

Could provide a family of 5-6 with a therapeutic short break helping them to spend precious time together in a unique and peaceful environment, far removed from the pressures of cancer treatment.



## Get involved today!

We simply could not provide these services to local families without YOUR support. To donate or get involved:

T: 028 9080 5599

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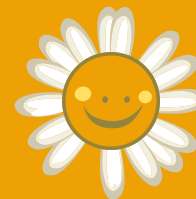
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## How we help local families living with cancer



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# About Us

Cancer Fund for Children understands the devastating impact a cancer diagnosis and treatment can have on the whole family and that beyond essential medical care, there is a family life that needs to be rebuilt.

As the leading local charity for children and young people living with cancer, we provide a range of specialist support. Our team is here to listen and help families cope with the impact cancer has on their lives and support them from diagnosis, throughout treatment and beyond.

By supporting us, **YOU** are making sure families don't have to face cancer alone.



Molly and Cancer Fund for Children Specialist Lynn



“When Tom started treatment it was as if the cancer had robbed us of a normal family life. Until you are in this situation you don't know how invaluable Cancer Fund for Children's services are.”

Karen, mum of baby Tom (pictured above) who was diagnosed with Neuroblastoma, just weeks after he was born.

## Support for young people with cancer

Every week in Northern Ireland, three children and young people (aged 0-24 years old) will be diagnosed with cancer.

Our team of Specialists provide support at home, in the community and the hospital setting including:

- Individual Support
- Residential Group Support
- Support for Siblings
- Support for Parents
- Therapeutic Short Breaks
- Financial Grants
- Bereavement Support

“It all happened very quickly, I went to my Doctors at 10am that morning and at 2pm that day I was getting chemotherapy. Cancer Fund for Children were amazing support to me during that time. They helped us financially, providing us with a Travel for Treatment grant. They also supported me emotionally. I was able to go to Daisy Lodge and spend time with other young people who were going through the same thing.”

- 24 year old Megan Boyd

## Support for young people whose parent has cancer

Every week in Northern Ireland, Cancer Fund for Children supports another nine children who have a parent diagnosed with cancer.

Cancer Fund for Children's Young Shoulders Programme supports young people aged 0-24 years old when their parent has been diagnosed with cancer. Our team of Young Shoulders Specialists provide support at home and in the community including:

- Individual Support
- Residential Group Support
- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award
- Therapeutic Short Breaks
- Travel for Short Breaks Grant
- Bereavement Support

“Cancer is not easy. You think you are tough and can cope with things on your own. When I first went on a group work weekend with Cancer Fund for Children it was magical. I could talk about things that I hadn't talked to anyone about because we were going through the same situations. I might be a different person today if it hadn't been for Cancer Fund for Children.”

- 15 year old Darran Gough



A group of young people taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

## Financial Grants

**Road Miles** helps cover the cost of travelling to and from hospital for treatment.

**Home Heating** helps with the cost of heating the family home during treatment.

**Travel for Treatment** helps families who have to travel outside Northern Ireland for treatment or surgery.

**Travel for Short Breaks** covers the costs of travel for families staying at either our Therapeutic Short Break Centre or Self-Catering Cottages.



A therapeutic art session at Daisy Lodge

