# **About Grace's Place**

# Grace's Place is bringing all the magic of 'yes' to children living with life-shortening conditions in North Manchester

Grace's Place is part of Forget Me Not Children's Hospice and is now caring for children and families in the Bury, Rochdale and Oldham areas.

### Why do we need a children's hospice?

More than 650 children in the North Manchester area are living with life-shortening conditions, but the vast majority haven't been getting any children's hospice support at all. Until now, some have been cared for by Forget Me Not Children's Hospice at Huddersfield. However, we've now opened a children's hospice in Bury, which means:

- we will be able to care for loads *more* children and families
- the families we already look after won't have to travel so far
- we will be able to offer North Manchester families so much more.

#### Hasn't Grace's Place been around for a while?

Yes. It's been at the planning stage for a few years, and had gathered a huge amount of local support, but never got as far as opening. Now, Grace's Place is under new management — Forget Me Not Children's Hospice, a different charity with a proven track record of excellence. We're keeping the name Grace's Place in recognition of everything that's been achieved so far.

### Who is Forget Me Not?

Forget Me Not is a charity which already runs a Huddersfield-based children's hospice, which is rated as 'outstanding' by the Care Quality Commission. Children's hospices is all we do: we're not big and corporate; we're small and caring, and we love to show new and better ways to do things. Now, we've opened Grace's Place, offering the same fantastic care and support as at Huddersfield.

## What is Hospice at Home?

Our Hospice at Home service supports children *and* their families – in the comfort and convenience of their own home. We can bring almost anything: expert clinical care, relaxing

therapies, counselling, help with household chores, playtime, and even looking after the children while tired mums or dads take some time out.

#### What is Grace's Place like?

Whatever you thought a children's hospice might be like, that's not us. We've created a place of comfort and calm, as well as fun and laughter. A place where children can play, while mums and dads relax, supported by an experienced and highly qualified care team. And a place where all the family can enjoy precious moments together.

#### What does it cost?

All of our services and support are offered free of charge to the families that need them. But that means we rely on the whole community to help us raise the funds needed. Can you help?