

# Starlight Storytellers Tour



*“We use play to help distract children from the pain and anxiety that they might be feeling as a result of their illness and there’s nothing like a good story to capture a child’s imagination.”*

- Marie Cross, Play Specialist,  
James Paget University Hospital

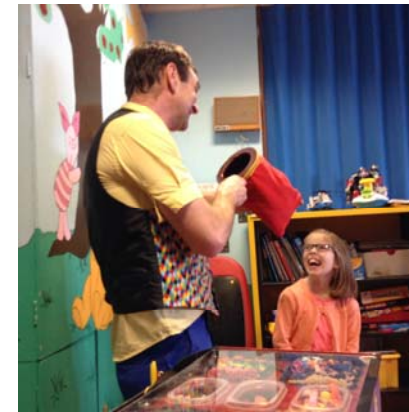


**£12.50**

Between April and June each year, the Starlight Storytellers tour criss-crosses the UK visiting hospitals and hospices and bringing stories to life and giving children the chance to forget about how unwell they feel. £12.50 pays for one child to enjoy the Starlight storyteller performance.

 **STARLIGHT**  
Brightening the lives of seriously and terminally ill children

# Starlight Parties



£15 gives a hospitalised child the chance to enjoy a Starlight Party complete with clowns, face painters, party food, decorations, party packs, games and goody bags. Starlight Parties create a positive experience for everyone on the ward, taking little minds off illness, anxiety and pain.

# Starlight Distraction Boxes



*“We regularly see a little girl who has had major heart surgery and is very scared of doctors and nurses because of everything she has gone through. When we got the distraction box out she actually started jumping and smiling!”*

- Chris Newland, Paediatric Staff Nurse



£100

Starlight Distraction Boxes are an effective distraction technique for nurses. £100 provides a Starlight Distraction Box filled with sensory toys, games and puzzles to help children cope with various medical procedures and treatments.

# Starlight Pantomime Tour



*“Today means a lot to the children, especially the little boy in the front row who hasn’t laughed for weeks. It is a proven fact that play and laughter help recuperation... like the little girl who was wheeled down in her bed to watch; her recovery will definitely be improved for being out of her ward this afternoon.”*

- Julie Ainsworth, Play Specialist, Evelina Children’s Hospital



Over the Christmas period, the Starlight Pantomime production visits children’s hospital wards and hospices across the UK. £25 pays for two children to laugh their way through a Starlight Pantomime, forget their illness for a while and simply have some fun.

