A warm welcome awaits at Francis House Children's Hospice open day

Monday 19 October, 2026

Francis House Children's Hospice opens its doors to the public for an Open Day on Saturday, November 7, 2026.

The hospice in Manchester is hosting fascinating and informative tours to give members of the public and supporters the opportunity to see how their donations help support children and families from across Greater Manchester.

A warm welcome is in store as guided tours led by members of the hospice care team take place throughout the day.

Visitors can experience the home-from- home environment and see the incredible facilities including colourful painted murals, refurbished children's bedrooms, sensory and cinema rooms and upgraded parents' flats, where families stay whilst their child is having respite.

Francis House is based on Parrswood Road in Didsbury and supports the families of children and young people with life-shortening conditions.

Sharon Doodson, director of care at Francis House said: "We rely on the generosity of the community to help fund the services that we can offer to the families.

"There are less services available in the community especially for children and young people with life-shortening conditions and complex needs.

"We want to be able to continue to support these families and anyone coming to visit us on open day, will see just how important their support is to help keep us going."

In addition to the tours, members of the public will be able to purchase merchandise and find out about upcoming events. Refreshments will also be available in the hall.

The Francis House open day takes place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2026, at Francis House Children's Hospice, 390 Parrswood Road, Didsbury M20 5NA.

No children or families will be resident during Open Day. For more information call 0161 443 2200 or visit https://www.francishouse.org.uk/get-involved/events/open-day-november/

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