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PRESS RELEASE

Play in Hospital Week

Music, storytelling, magic and pets have all been bringing a smile to the faces of hospitalised children in Dudley.

The play team at Russells Hall Hospital are celebrating Play in Hospital Week from 7th-11th October, highlighting the importance of play to hospitalised children.

Hospital play specialist Julie Dale said: "It is important to provide play for children of all ages and abilities, and Play in Hospital Week is a great opportunity to get that message across, both on the ward and in the children's outpatients department and Emergency Department.

"Staff from our children's ward are joining in by reading a story or entertaining children with their musical skills, playing violin and flute.

"We also have a magician coming in, plus Jean with her dog Ivy from Therapy Pets Nationwide."

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