January/February 2022

Westcroft Nursing Home Exceptional

Welcome to issue 53 of the Westcroft Newsletter. We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. As always we hope to create a Homely atmosphere with a friendly welcome, offering the best care possible.



We continue to be open for indoor visits. There are currently restrictions on the number of visitors per resident. Only three named visitors can visit. The visits still remain at once a week for 30 minutes, but only 2 visitors at one time, as per the government guidelines. Visits are carried out via a booking system and all visits do require being pre-booked. Visits are taking place in the Quiet Lounge. All visitors must have a lateral flow test at the Home and then wait 30 minutes for the result before being allowed into the Home. All visitors are asked to wear a face mask, gloves and an apron whilst visiting. We thank all residents and their relatives for their patience and understanding.

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Special events coming up

We are planning to re-introduce some external entertainers to come into the Home.. We continue with in-house activities on a daily basis.

Thursday 13th January 2022 at 3pm "Afternoon Tea"

Thursday 18th January 2022 at 2.30pm Paul Gibson entertaining.

Tuesday 25th January 20212 at 2.30pm Burns Night.

Wednesday 9th February 2022 National Pizza Day.

Monday 14th February 2022 Valentine's Day.

Upcoming Events

We will be holding Afternoon Tea in the dining room Thursday 13th January at around 3pm. Tea, Fingers sandwiches and a selection of cakes will be served. Please join us on the day, all residents welcome.

On Tuesday 25th January we will be celebrating Burns Night in recognition of Robert Burns. Neeps and Tatties served with Haggis will be on the menu with Cranachan as a pudding. You are welcome to order this or request a 'taster' on the day.

On the 9th February, it's National Pizza Day, and we will be making our own Pizza's for lunch. This should be a fun morning and an opportunity to be creative. Please join us in the dining room.

As usual we will be celebrating Valentine's Day by making cards for loved ones and enjoying a special cake on the day. A romantic meal will be prepared for lunch time. Please speak to Karen with any suggestions you may like. We ask everyone to wear something red or something with hearts on for the day.

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Birthdays coming up:

No Resident Birthdays in January 2022

Michael Hales 2nd February
Reginald Malcolm 5th February
James Lewis 11th February
Margaret Connor 19th February



A birthday cake will be provided in the afternoon around 2.30pm and a buffet at tea time will be provided. Please inform Karen of numbers if you would like to celebrate with us or provide a cake for yourself!



We held our Resident's Christmas Party on Thursday 16th December. A lovely buffet was provided for the residents and everyone and jt was good to be able to welcome entertainment back in the Home. Paul Gibson entertained during the afternoon which led to a great sing-a-long and we even had some dancing going on which was so good to see.

A lovely three course meal was prepared by Karen on Christmas Day and the tables looked very festive for the occasion. A special thanks to Karen for all the extras she has done during the Christmas period.

Also, Thank you to all the staff who dressed up for the special occasions making it even more special for the residents. Lots of photographs and videos were taken over the festive period and were posted on the facebook page so family could see their loved ones over the various days.

New Room/70th Anniversary Celebrations

Our new quite room extension with its skylight is now completed and furnishings have been purchased. We were proud to use this room for the first time to help Margaret and Reginald celebrate their Platinum Wedding Anniversary. The room was decorated and a buffet was provide for everyone. It was a lovely special day for both Margaret and Reg. Please see the website and facebook page for lots of photos taken from the day.



We had our Elf Day on Thursday 2nd December 2021. Staff dressed up and hot chocolate with cream and marshmallows were served. This day aimed to lift spirits and put a smile on everyone's faces. It was also the start of putting the Christmas decorations up in the Home. The day was enjoyed by all residents and staff.

Group Website

Please feel free to have a look at www.3abcare.co.uk. You will find up to date news and photographs on the 'latest news' section, under the Westcroft Nursing Home tab.

You can also find information on our other Homes in the group. As part of ongoing quality and monitoring the group carries out quarterly internal auditing at all Homes. The results can be found on the wall in the main hallway.





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We try to put up photos of all our events on the Facebook page as soon as possible to allow everyone to see their loved ones on these days. Please feel free to comment on these, unfortunately we cannot respond to personal requests.

Resident/Relative referral scheme

If you or your relative recommends a new resident to the Home you will be entitled to £250 worth of vouchers of your choice. As long the resident stays for a minimum of three months the vouchers will be given.

We would like to thank everyone for the chocolates and biscuits the staff received during the Christmas period. They were much appreciated.

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