

JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER.

ELMFIELD HOUSE RESIDENTIAL HOME

Recent events:

January seemed to be a very long month!

Some of the staff had the dreaded flu so sadly we couldn't go to the pantomime as planned due to staffing shortages.

However, we still had lots to do within the home.

Pub lunches remain very popular and we have been going each fortnight to the Hen and Chicks. We have had some positive feedback from residents who enjoy these trips out. It makes it worth the while to hear such positive feedback.

We had our first church service of the year on the 24th. It was a good turnout and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Pauline and Alison wished everyone at Elmfield a Happy New Year.

Nicky the hairdresser has been each fortnight. Price list is displayed in the quiet area as requested.

Tina from High Kicks and Heels is booked each month and did her show earlier in the month. She had residents and staff up dancing and waving flags. It is always a highly anticipated show and is great fun.

Our PAT dog Bailey continues his visits to the

home and enjoys the fuss he receives when he comes to Elmfield.

Upcoming events:

We are excited to announce that we have had a re-vamp of the activities agenda and have some new additions to the current provision of activities.

We will be holding monthly afternoon teas at the home. All are welcome to attend. Check the notice board for dates.

We will be holding pamper afternoons where residents can be treated to foot spa, manicures, facials, foot and hand massages.

Everyone loves a bit of TLC!

We are going to the Community Café on Monday mornings at Bisley Hall when the weather is dry. This is similar to the 'teas on the rec' but is indoors rather than outdoors. It is from 10-12 so timings are not the most convenient but I am sure some residents will attend and enjoy the change of scenery.

We have purchased more arts and craft style activities to bring out the creative talents of our residents.

The chiropodist is next due into Elmfield on 26th February.

We will be starting a 'Book of life' for each resident in the near future as an on-going

project. Photos, memorabilia or anything else that can be used for reminiscing or to provoke memories would be great for this project....

Staff and resident changes:

We welcome two new additions to our care team. Mam Jack has joined us as a bank care assistant and she is an experienced care assistant.

Samantha Franklin used to be a volunteer at Elmfield and she has now joined our team of day staff working full time.

We have said goodbye to Christina who worked day shifts and was suffering with her health.

Birthdays:

We had no birthdays to celebrate in January.

We have purchased balloons, party utensils, banners and will be having birthday parties for residents this year if they wish to have one. Some residents do not like having a fuss made but the option is there for those who would like a party to celebrate.

Employee of the month:

January's employee of the month has been awarded to Jess Burnett for working extra shifts, for progressing very well with her diploma and she has been putting extra effort into her day to day work which has been notable. Well done Jess and keep it up!