

SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER.

ELMFIELD HOUSE RESIDENTIAL HOME

Recent events:

September has been pretty quiet after the busy summer months.

Pub lunches remain as popular as ever and still occur fortnightly. Some of the days had changed slightly instead of the usual Wednesday's due to Niccii being on holiday, but they have still taken place and been enjoyed by all.

The lovely ladies from Bisley church did their monthly communion and prayer service with a good turnout again. This is an eagerly anticipated event each month and we are extremely grateful that the pastoral assistants take the time to visit us.

Bailey our lovely PAT dog continues to visit us each fortnight. He sure does

make himself at home and loves being stroked by our residents!

Unfortunately, the change in weather has encouraged early winter bugs and nearly all of our residents plus a handful of staff have been poorly with chest infections and viral infections. Hopefully we are over the worst now! Get well soon everyone!

We had the Jay Miller Circus on Bisley Green toward the end of September. Sadly, due to the illness only one resident went. Jan Harrison went to the Circus with Sue Findlay and they had a great time.

The Community Café is up and running again over at Bisley Village Hall. Unfortunately, due to most

people being unwell, we have not been across there yet. We will commence the weekly outing in October on Monday mornings from 10am-12pm.

There's been very positive feedback from our new opticians 'Eye Concern' who came out to see the first group of residents mid-September.

Upcoming events:

We have our delayed McMillan Coffee afternoon coming up on Wednesday 10th October from 2:30pm. It is hoped that we will have a great turnout as we have in recent years.

We are due our quarterly 'Resident and Relatives meeting' in October. This will take place on Tuesday 23rd October at 3pm. All

are welcome for refreshments and group discussions which usually lasts approx. an hour.

The Tea Dance at HG Wells sadly coincides with the date and time of our McMillan coffee afternoon. We will look forward to the Christmas one even more!

We will be having our Halloween party on 31st October. We will have Halloween themed activities and decorations, with a buffet tea.

Staff and resident changes:

Kerrie- Leigh Dryden has left us to commence her maternity leave. She is due a baby girl in the very near future and we wish her the best of luck.

We are devastated to announce the death of Iris Collier who sadly passed away at Elmfield House on 13th September. She is greatly missed here.

Birthdays:

September brought us just the one birthday which was a stark contrast to last month's five birthdays! Mary Nutter celebrated her 85th birthday on 19th September. She had visits from family and enjoyed a buffet tea with her friends at Elmfield.

Other news:

We had our Environmental Health kitchen inspection early in September. This is routine annually and is an un-announced inspection.

The investigating officer looks at a whole range of things including the menus for all different dietary requirements, cleaning records, kitchen hygiene, staff training records, the cooking environment, temperature records, use of personal protective equipment and several other things.

A full report was given and we are delighted to announce that Elmfield House was awarded the

highest possible rating of five- stars! We are very proud of this.

Winter flu jabs will be due towards the end of October/ early November. Consent will be obtained before-hand.

Watch this space..... Niccii has a meeting next week with the headteacher at Bisley School and will be sharing project ideas between the home and the school in the coming months.

Employee of the month:

September's employee of the month was awarded to Dawn Dorey for the great achievement of a five- star Environmental Health rating. This is the highest standard that can be awarded and Dawn works very hard consistently. This is especially more difficult being the only cook. Well done, it is much deserved!