



Springfield Cottage *Newsletter*

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We're all ready for Christmas!



Our staff have been busily preparing for Christmas and it's shaping up to be a very merry occasion and as you can see our reception area is looking beautiful.

A full list of events with times can be found on the back

page but include our annual Carol Service and a visit from Megan who will be entertaining us with some festive music on her harp.

We have a very special Resident's and Children's party taking place on 23rd December. Father and Mother Christmas will be visiting and we will be playing some old favourite party games including pass the parcel. Lindsey and Rachel will be singing Christmas songs and organising the games. There are limited places for children and tickets for them will be £3.00. These are available from the office and will include a present from Father Christmas. We would welcome any family members who would like to help out at this party.

On Christmas day we will be sharing a traditional Christmas dinner with all the trimmings followed by a family day on Boxing Day where everyone will be welcome to join us for mince pies and drinks.



We also extend an invitation for you to join us on New Year's Eve for cake and drinks at 2pm and there will be a small buffet and drinks available for residents who would like to see the New Year in.

Thank you...

As you will be aware, we have had some work completed outside to enhance our electricity supply to enable our new laundry to be fitted.

We would like to thank all our residents and visitors for their patience and understanding as this did cause a few problems with parking.

The new laundry system is now up and running and works very well. It is a much quicker system and has freed up the staff to spend more time with our residents.

Our Smart Staff

Following the renovations to the Home we thought it only right that our Manager, Lindsey (right), and her deputy, Suzanne, had a makeover as well so here they are modelling their smart new uniforms.



Birthday Celebrations



Birthday wishes to Muriel Ashworth who had a lovely time celebrating

her 90th birthday with family members in November.

Day Care

To provide an additional service to the community we have recently added a new Day Care facility at Springfield Cottage. Care services and activities can be tailored to meet any requirements so please call Lindsey on 01254 264704 for more information.

Respite Care

As community care needs change we are seeing an increased need for respite care, especially during the holiday seasons. We are keen to promote the provision of respite care and have a room dedicated for this purpose so please don't hesitate to contact Lindsey, our Care Home Manager, on 01254 264704.

Feedback

If you have any suggestions for improvements to the Home or the service we provide, do let us know. Please feel free to send Lindsey any articles, memoirs or photos for inclusion in future newsletters.

Ivy Smith



Ivy was born and raised in the Audley area of Blackburn by her mother, Sarah Agnes and her father, Alfred. She is the youngest of four sisters and attended Audley Council School.

Ivy has one son, Alan and was married to her husband, Edward for 64 years. She left school at 14 and worked as a weaver for Prospect Mill and during the war wove parachutes for the RAF. Ivy worked at the mill until she was 60 and has fond memories of it.

Regular Activities

Monday

One to one sessions, shopping, movie night

Tuesday

Board games, card games, afternoon tea

Wednesday

Arts & Crafts, Hairdresser, Music

Thursday

Pampering, Chair Exercises

Friday

Walking, Dominoes, Television

Saturday

Board Games, Reminiscence, Word Games

Sunday

Family Gatherings, Relaxing

Beautiful Curtains & Blinds

Some finishing touches have recently been added to our lounges and the office. We're sure you will agree that the curtains are lovely and the staff love the professional look of the blinds.



Millie Knight



Millie has worked at Springfield for over a year and having completed her NVQ2 is now working towards her NVQ3. She usually works nights and lives with her mum and three sisters. Millie lived in Germany for a few years as her dad was in the army.

She enjoys socialising, reading and spending time with her baby cousin, Hope.

Extra Services

Miscellaneous costs

Chiropody—£20.00 initial session then £10.00 thereafter

Hairdressing costs

Shampoo & Set—£7.00

Cut, Shampoo & Set—£10.00

Shampoo & Blow Dry—£7.00

Dry Cut —£7.00

Permanent Wave—£32.00

Our hairdresser visits on Wednesdays with other days by request

A full list of prices can be found on the notice board

Christmas Events

7th December

Carol Service

20th December— 2pm

Megan will play some Christmas music on her harp

23rd December—2pm

Resident's and children's Christmas Party

(children's tickets available from the office—£3.00)

Christmas Day

Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings and festive music

Boxing Day

Family day—everyone welcome for mince pies and drinks

New Year's Eve

Join us for cake and drinks at 2pm

Drinks and a small buffet will be available at midnight for those residents wishing to bring in the New Year

Please keep an eye on the notice board for any additional events!

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