# **News from St George's**

### Festivities in December



At the start of December, Taunton Brownies came in to sing carols with us, and share some tea and cake. The following day we enjoyed a Christmas shopping trip to a local garden centre where we picked up some gifts for our loved ones and stopped off to have mince pies and a nice cup of tea.



The next day was also busy as we had been invited to a party at Queen's College which was held by the Rotary Club. The students put

on a lovely show and we all sang carols together. There were sandwiches, pork pies, and cheese and biscuits as well as many different cakes, all topped off with a glass of sherry.



On the week of 16th December the Flash Back Theatre came in to put on a show for us and we all enjoyed it very much.



This was also the week of our annual Christmas meal at the Beambridge. Despite the awful weather, we all made it there and sat down for a lovely Christmas dinner together followed by a beautiful dessert. After our meal there was some fantastic entertainment and we all sang Christmas carols.

On Christmas Eve our staff dressed up as all things Christmas and we played games together and later sat and reminisced about some of our fondest Christmas memories.



On Christmas Day we had a wonderful Christmas meal prepared by our chef. Tables were decorated beautifully and our residents all enjoyed a Christmas drink. Later on our residents opened their stockings and gifts with family members.

#### **New Year Activities**

We welcomed 2020 with our mid-day celebrations with great food and entertainment from Darin Handland-Rose, singing our favourite songs.



In early January we had a group crafts workshop arranged by Creative Mojo, with the theme 'Under the Sea'. We

We welcomed 2020 with made a huge painting full our mid-day celebrations of fish and a submarine.



Later in the month we continued our creativity by spending an afternoon making paper flower cards. This was a hit and we're looking forward giving these out on special occasions. We all made a few cards each, picking our

favourite flowers and colours.

We put on our dancing shoes on the 24th for some Ballroom dancing where we got to show off our favourite moves. We danced the afternoon away to our favourite tunes and reminisced about our dancing days!





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## February Fun

At the start of February we had the wonderfully talented Rachel, visit us to play the violin. We all enjoyed this and are looking forward to seeing her again in the future.



Later in the month some of us went to see 'Robin Hood and the Babes' pantomime, directed by our very own John.



This was a brilliant day and we all enjoyed tea and biscuits afterwards.

On 28th February we started our new, resident run, knitting club.

We're starting off with the basics and we're working towards being able to make newborn hats for local hospitals.

We hope our knitting club will become a weekly activity and are also aiming to introduce more resident run clubs—watch this space!



### **News In Brief**

#### Save the Date!



We have a very exciting anniversary coming up on 18th July. It will be 10 years since Karen Bexter took over at St George's and what better way to celebrate than with a party! More details will be provided soon—keep your eye out!

#### **New Laundry Room**

We will soon have a new laundry room which will be added to our existing one. We're very excited about this but would like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause. Your patience and understanding, as always, is very much appreciated.



#### The Lovely Outdoors



With Easter just around the corner we have a lot of ideas in mind in terms of activities for our residents. And, with the warmer weather approaching (hopefully!), we will soon be able to make more use of our outdoor space.

# **Forthcoming Events**

There are lots of Activities coming up at St George's ...look out for your email update!

With March upon us we have lots to look forward to at St George's including a magician, some visits from the local school children and another afternoon of ballroom dancing— the activities below all start at 2pm so please do come along and join us if you can.

Tuesday, 10th—Steve Burley, Magician Wednesday, 11th—Plant Pot Painting Thursday, 12th—Planting Herb Garden Friday, 13th—What's in the Bag? Monday, 16th—Name that Flower Tuesday 17th—'IRE'-land words Friday, 20th—Ballroom Dancing

Monday, 23rd—Pets at Home visit Tuesday, 24th—How Green Am I? Wednesday, 25th—Waffle Day Thursday, 26th—Gardening Quiz Friday, 27th—Knitting Club Monday, 30th—Fairy Tales Tuesday, 31st—Hidden Birds