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#### **Bonfire Night**

He's been marched through town, "a penny for the guy" Now he's tied to a stake, ready for the pyre.

As children gather excited, on the fifth of November Round a bonfire, someone special to remember.

Old tales of plots and schemes, and of treason

Towards the king and parliament. Who would have reason?

Guy Fawkes, a name never to be forgot

A man to who justice was bought.

Thirty barrels of gun powder, he set below parliament
Ready to blow, but he got caught. How unfortunate
An example made of him, before a hungry crowd
Now we celebrate his life, our fireworks like a shroud.
A tribute to what might have been, a night filled with fire
Explosions filled with colour, for us to admire.

Donna Siggers



#### Birthdays this mon<u>th!</u>

#### **Residents**

Joan G 5<sup>th</sup> November

Paul B 10<sup>th</sup> November

Dorthy C 12<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Staff**

Bev S (50) 5<sup>th</sup> November

Julie W 8<sup>th</sup> November

Gill J 19<sup>th</sup> November









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### News



#### **Polite Reminder**

Please can we remind all residents to be in the dining room for 12:40pm at lunch times. Arriving whilst staff are serving lunch is hazardous for both residents and staff.

#### **Poppy Appeal**

Poppies are available in the reception area in exchange for a donation. All proceeds go directly to the Royal British Legion, supporting veterans and their families. Please give generously to such a great cause. Thank you for your support.

#### **Lounge Revamp**

We would like to thank the residents for your patience and understanding while the lounge area has been closed for refurbishment.

The ceiling has been lowered, and it has all been freshly painted as part of the improvements and we are excited for you all to use our newly refurbed lounge.

We appreciate your cooperation during this time.



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### **Festival News**







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#### **Handmade Cards by Margaret**

If you are looking for a special card that adds a personal touch, look no further than our very own resident Margaret. Margaret has been busy crafting beautiful handmade cards right here in Hewlett Court! From Christmas cards to birthday, anniversary, thankyou and 'just because' – there's something for all occasions.

Margaret's creativity and care shine through in every design, and with prices starting from as little as £1, they're not only lovely to receive but also affordable. Even better, all the proceeds go directly to the Comforts Fund, helping to support activities, entertainment, outings and treats for everyone at Hewlett Court.

A variety of Christmas and occasion cards are available to buy now in the shop; Margaret is also happy to make custom orders if you have something special in mind.

Why not stop by, pop in, pick out a card and support a great cause.









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#### **Special Visitors at Hewlett Court**

We had a bit of magic at Hewlett Court as our ladies and gents were treated to a delightful visit from some very special little guests from Holcombe Brook Nursery and Jo Jingles!!

They came with smiles, songs, and plenty of energy — dancing, playing musical instruments, singing the ABCs, and even dancing with bubbles!

It was a beautiful afternoon of intergenerational fun, with both young and old sharing sweet moments together.

Thank you for visiting us — we can't wait to see you again soon!





















































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#### **Indian Themed Tea**

Some of the ladies and gents enjoyed a delicious taste of India as we celebrated National Curry Week on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October with a special themed tea cooked by Hewlett Court Cook, Mel. The dining room was filled with wonderful aromas as everyone tucked in to a warming meal of chicken tikka masala, served with fluffy rice, naan bread and crispy poppadom's.

The rich flavours and vibrant dishes made for a lovely change and sparked lovely conversations round the tables.





















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#### **A Morning of Music with Louis**

The ladies and gents of Hewlett Court were treated to a delightful morning on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October, as pianist Louis filled the home with the beautiful sounds of live piano music.

His performance featured a lovely mix of familiar classics and lively tunes that had everyone tapping their feet and singing along.

The warm atmosphere and shared smiles made it a truly enjoyable experience for all.

We're grateful to Louis for sharing his talent and bringing such joy to our morning.

We look forward to his next performance.











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#### **Bev's 100 Mile Walk for Breast Cancer Now!**

Throughout October, Manager Bev, has been taking on an inspiring challenge - walking 100 miles in October to raise money for Breast Cancer Now, a charity that is very close to her heart.

This cause holds deep personal meaning for Bev, and her determination to support life-changing research and care has truly inspired everyone in Hewlett Court. Whether walking before, during or after a busy day at work, Bev has stayed committed, step by step, to help make a difference.

Bev has now completed the challenge walking a total of 115.53 miles and has raised £705 with an additional £123.75 in gift aid donations.

Well done Bev!

Bev would like to thank everyone for their donations and words of support.







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#### **Blackpool Illuminations and Fish & Chips Supper**

Rain or shine, nothing could dampen the spirits of a handful of residents during a recent trip to see the famous Blackpool Illuminations.

Everyone boarded the coach with excitement and a sense of adventure, ready to enjoy the dazzling lights and some classic seaside fun. Even though the weather brought a little rain, it certainly didn't stop the laughter or smiles.

A highlight of the trip was a delicious stop at Seniors chippy, where everyone tucked in to freshly made battered cod, chips and peas with a round of bread and butter and a cup of tea followed by a delicious bowl of ice cream.

Residents enjoyed the nostalgic glow of illuminations, sharing stories and soaking in the sights as the lights sparkled along the promenade. It was a wonderful outing filled with good food and great company.













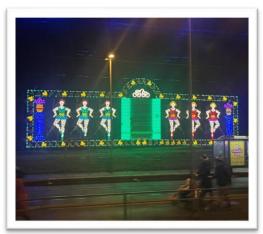




























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#### **Holcombe Brook Nursery and Jo Jingles**

The ladies and gents enjoyed the second visit from Jo Jingles and the children from Holcombe Brook nursery school. Hewlett Court was filled with music, laughter and little feet thanks to the children brightening the afternoon. The little ones arrived, bringing the Halloween spirit alive with songs, dancing props and lots of giggles. Residents were treated to action songs and dances led by the energetic Jo Jingles.

There were smiles all around as the children, ages 2-4 interacted with the residents – clapping, waving and even a few joining in a seated boogie. Afternoons with Jo Jingles and the children are heartwarming and uplifting.



































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#### **Tom Collins**

The ladies and gents at Hewlett Court were treated to a delightful performance from singer Tom Collins, who brought charm, nostalgia and toe-tapping tunes to the lounge. His smooth vocals and classic repertoire had everyone smiling, with many residents humming and singing along to the familiar melodies.













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#### **Katie Fiddlestix**

The lounge was filled with music and joy as talented violinist Katie Fiddlestix performed for the residents of Hewlett Court. Her lively and heartfelt music brought a mix of traditional tunes, classic favourites and foot tapping folk music that had everyone captivated. The ladies and gents enjoyed the beautiful sounds of the violin and the uplifting atmosphere that Katie created with her engaging presence and passion for music. It was a special afternoon that brought smiles, sparked memories and even a bit of swaying in seats.











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#### **Halloween Coke Floats**

The ladies and gents had a fun evening with Mel and Erika. Halloween treats and spooky coke floats were served to everyone whilst having a relaxing evening chatting away to each other.



















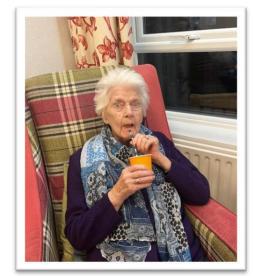






















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#### **Halloween Fun**

Residents enjoyed a frightfully fun Halloween celebration filled with themed drinks, games and laughter. The lounge was buzzing with excitement as the staff got into the spooky spirit, donning costumes that ranged from creepy to creative – and everything in between! Residents sipped on Halloween – themed cocktails and mocktails and took part in a variety of games and activities, with plenty of treats (and maybe a few tricks) along the way. The decorations, music and atmosphere made for a memorable afternoon enjoyed by all. Mel, Hewlett Court's cook made some tasty spooky cupcakes to all enjoy after tea. They looked spooktacular!

































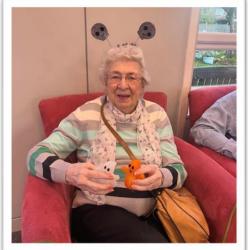






















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#### **This Month's Lucky Winners**

Congratulations to this month's winners from Play Your Cards Right! Your sharp memory and even sharper instincts have paid off.

As a reward, each winner receives a FREE game of Bingo which takes place the following Tuesday.



































#### **Christmas Fair Donations and Volunteers**

We are already getting into the festive spirit and plans for Hewlett Court's much-loved annual Christmas Fair are well underway – and we need your help to make it bigger and better than the last one!

Our Christmas Fair is our biggest event of the year and a great fundraiser, this year all monies raised will go to the EL Festival 26.

To help it be a great success, we are kindly asking for the following:

- Unopened, unwanted gifts for the tombola
  - Bottles (wines, soft drinks or toiletries)
- Chocolate, Sweets and Festive treats for the tombola
- Unopened/unwanted gifts of toys, games & children's books for the kid's tombola
- Bottles, gift sets, gift vouchers & gifts from local businesses for our Grand Raffle

Every donation big or small makes a difference.

If you have some spare time and would like to volunteer on the day, whether it is to help set up, do a stall or help with the tidy up, then please speak to the Management Team





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Margaret celebrated her birthday on 9<sup>th</sup> October



Janet celebrated her birthday on 27thOctober

Night General Assistant Claire, celebrated her birthday on 14<sup>th</sup> October



General Assistant Jayne, celebrated her birthday on 22<sup>nd</sup> October









