

YERCOMBE NEWS.

THE YERCOMBE (GLOUCESTERSHIRE) TRUST NEWSLETTER November 2020.

Covid-19 Update

We continue to work hard to keep the residents and staff safe at Yercombe Lodge during the covid-19 pandemic. We ensure that we keep up to date with the current guidelines from the government and try to ensure that information is cascaded to staff and families and friends of Yercombe Lodge.

Testing – We are continuing to test our staff weekly and all residents every 28 days. Staff have also received antibody testing. – we continue to have had no civid-19 cases in the home.

Visiting- We know how important it is to all that visits in some capacity can take place. We will continue with our phone call 'window visits' until guidance changed and we are able to carry out visits in a safe way. We have a visiting screen being constructed in the greenhouse that will hopefully make visits more personal and private. We will ensure that we keep you fully updated.

Staffing – Our dedicated staff team have been fantastic throughout the pandemic. We have all worked as a team to ensure our high standards of care have been maintained through this pandemic. We are welcoming new faces to the team and look forward to working with them. **Day centre** – We re-opened a limited day centre service in October. The re-opening went well and the staff and members did a fantastic job at ensuring the new restrictions were adhered to and that everyone was kept safe. It was lovely to see those members who returned again. Unfortunately, due to the second lockdown we have had to suspend services in the day centre.



Laura our activities co-ordinator will be setting up a Yercombe Christmas shop. It will be stocked with items made by our residents and funds raised will go back into the activity pot. If you would like details of the

items that we have then please let Yercombe know and we can send you a details.



We have already begun making plans for Christmas and want to make the festive period as enjoyable as we can for everyone at Yercombe. Residents have already began making cards and Laura has been planning some activities for the run up to Christmas. We really hope that we can have families visit in some capacity this Christmas time.

If you have any questions or feedback that you would like to give. You have some ideas of how we could improve our service or what we could offer to your loved ones then please contact us. The office is open 9am to 4pm as usual.

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Over the last few months we have been keeping busy, we have taken part in The National Care Home Art Competition, finished off weeding the Garden, we have had fun with Halloween carving Pumpkins & Playing bingo. We have looked at Henri Matisse Art work with Small pieces of Paper to make a Snail.



Left -Residents Pictures that we entered into The National Care Home Competition of Art

Right - Residents have given Henri Matisse Small Pieces of paper Snail Artwork ago. Can you see our Snails?

Below- Halloween fun!











Left and right - Ladies Tidying up the Flowers.

We have now made a start on our Christmas Arts & Crafts. We look forward to showing what we have made soon!



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