

THE DEVONSHIRE

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish the following Residents and staff a very Happy Birthday for the month of November:

Resident: Laura V on the 24th, Eileen on the 27th, Joan D on the 29th and George on the 30th.

Staff: Diana on the 30th.



Dates for your Diary

5th - Bonfire Night Party & Fireworks

26th - International Day: USA Thanksgiving Day Lunch

Fresh Air Drives: These take place each Tuesday & Thursday afternoons.

Residents Meetings

These are held at 11am each Wednesday in the main ground floor lounge.

4th - with Jo
11th - with Jo
18th - with Jo
25th - with Jo

Residents Council Meeting

24th - with Jean

MESSAGES

Welcome to: New Resident Dennis we hope you and your family will be very happy at The Devonshire.

Congratulations to: Trudie who is now training to become a Senior Carer.

Thank you to: Residents Jean B, Eileen and Iris for all your help last month in enveloping the newsletter.

Farewell to: Residents Carole and Antonia who have now gone home after a short convalescence with us.

Get Well Soon to: Resident Jo who is currently in Tolworth Hospital. We all miss you and are looking forward to your speedy return.

Resident Profile ... Rose

by Vanessa ...

Rose was born and grew up in West Kensington, London. She had three brothers Walter, Frederick & James and three sisters Alice, Hilda & Doris. Rose went to William Street School in West Kensington, she enjoyed her school years a great deal. When Rose left school she worked for a catering company before becoming a manageress in a dry-cleaning shop. Rose met her husband Bert at a dance. They later married at St Mary's Church, Hammersmith. Rose & Bert have two children, a daughter called Rosemary and a son called Ron. Rose says she has never been abroad but the family used to holiday all around England travelling on the train. Rose's hobbies are needlework, knitting and playing the piano. She doesn't watch much T.V. and hasn't got a favourite film but she loves listening to classical music. Rose likes all flowers and says she used to have a beautiful garden. Rose says her favourite food is pork chops and she likes nothing better than a nice cup of tea, her favourite colour is blue and her pet hate is rudeness.

Swine Flu...

We would again like to thank all visitors for your thoughtfulness in not visiting when you have flu like symptoms. We are one of the few homes in the borough of Kingston with no reported cases amongst Residents and staff. All staff of the Devonshire have had both the annual flu injection as well as the H1N1, so hopefully we will continue to keep all bugs away!

*We bid a sad farewell to Rene who passed away recently
Our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this sad time.
We will miss you Rene!*

Life at The Devonshire

October has been a typical autumn month, one minute cold and raining and the next dry and sunny. Residents George, Marjorie, Iris, Jean and Eileen have been enjoying the garden as much as they can when the weather has been dry.

With the autumn leaves falling it has been a good time to participate in still life drawings of flowers still in bloom in the garden. Jean B enjoyed drawing the roses and George has spent a lot of time sketching the golden Autumn leaves.

Our Residents have been enjoying lots of indoor games which have included Giant Connect 4, Ten Pin Bowling, Jigsaws, Musical Bingo, Dominoes and various Board Games. Iris, Jean B, Eileen and Minnie had great fun with Connect 4, helping each other to win. They are all great friends, as was proven when Jean B gave Iris a big hug for winning.


We are getting ready for 'Poppy Day' and The Devonshire ladies have been busy painting poppies to decorate the home to commemorate Remembrance Day.

Our Halloween masks were all ready, hopefully not too scary for Halloween. Jean B, Doris, Marjorie, George, Eileen and Iris have been busy painting and colouring masks. Molly has encouraged us all by singing (beautifully as usual), whilst the art work has been carried out to keep 'spirits' high for Halloween (excuse the pun). We decorated the home with spooky things and also had pumpkin lanterns on all of the dining room tables. It was great!

Morning quizzes are going well, as is our word game, Residents managed to make 76 words from the word 'MELODRAMATIC'. Also the Residents are exceptionally good at the board game 'Who wants to be a millionaire'.

THE DEVONSHIRE ACTIVITY SHEET

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30th Daily Papers Gentle Exercise Quiz Games Famous Stars	Birthdays in November 24th - Laura V 27th - Eileen 29th - Joan D 30th - George		Highlights for November 5th - Bonfire Night Party 26th - International Day: USA Thanksgiving Day Lunch	1st Weekend News Move that Body Movie & Popcorn Evening		
2nd Daily News Bend n Stretch Creative Art Indoor Games	3rd Daily Papers Morning Stroll Garden Games Musical Bingo Fresh Air Drive		5th News Today Gentle Exercise Beauty Salon Bonfire Night Party			
9th Newspapers Move that Body Garden Games Horoscopes Darts	10th News today Gentle Exercise Millionaire Quiz Mystery Tour Fresh Air Drive	11th Daily Papers Bend n Stretch Afternoon Movie Residents Meeting	12th Current Affairs Morning Stroll Word Searches Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	13th World News Bend n Stretch Outdoor Games Afternoon Quiz	14th Weekend News Move that Body Arts & Crafts Sing-a-Long Family Day	15th Sunday News Musical Movement Afternoon Matinee One 2 One
16th World Events Morning Stroll Sing-a-Long Afternoon Quiz	17th Newspapers Move that Body Board Games Music Quiz Fresh Air Drive	18th Daily News Bend n Stretch Morning Quiz Afternoon Movie Residents Meeting	19th Current Events Musical Movement Beauty Salon Word Puzzles Fresh Air Drive	20th Daily Papers Gentle Exercise Sing-a-Long Word Searches	21st Newspapers Armchair Stretch Reminiscing Card Games Family Day	22nd Weekend World Morning Stroll Late night movie with chocolates and sherry
23rd Daily Papers Gentle Exercise Quiz Games Famous Stars	24th Current Affairs Musical Movement Board Games Residents Council Fresh Air Drive	25th Newspapers Armchair Stretch Morning Quiz Arts & Crafts Residents Meeting	26th Current Affairs Morning Stroll Beauty Salon International Day Fresh Air Drive	27th Newspapers Musical Movement Music Games Millionaire Quiz Afternoon Movie	28th Current Events Ball Play One 2 One Family Day	29th Sunday Papers Gentle Stretch Quiz Afternoon Arts & Crafts