



#### **GREEN VIEW HOUSE**

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Dear relatives and friends,

#### Closures & Snow Days

Many thanks to everyone for their cooperation whilst we were closed and for everyone's extra efforts in getting into work – we were still kept busy as you can imagine during our closure but managed to get some catching up done at the same time. A massive thanks to Kevin and his team for clearing the drive!!!

#### Fire Regulations

Following our visit we've been busy compiling lots of risk assessments to ensure peoples safety in the event of a fire – we have updated our fire policy and emergency contingency planning, some building work will be carried out to allow the fire service in accessing the building and a screen and fire door is to be installed. We will at our next full staff meeting be carrying out lots of scenarios!!

#### Gold Standards Framework

What are these congestion charges in London all about?? Anyway, London and the presentation awards were magnificent and it was so nice to be part of this event and seeing all the good practice out there in other care homes across the country, I feel that the care sector is slammed so much by the media but this event was about recognising care that's above the minimum standards and I felt so proud that we were part of it – remember this award is a recognition of everyone's efforts. A few weeks ago my 'unofficial' granddad Ken was in hospital and after speaking with grandma Dylis, because Ken had not made any decisions about what he would want, my family were left to make personal decisions which they thought would have been to his liking. Granddad Ken spoke vaguely about 'when the time would come' but when it did it was an extra responsibility for my family at an emotional time. However if Granddad Ken had made these decisions in advance, all would have been adhered to and the family would have felt confident and comforted by carrying out his final wishes. I would endeavour any relatives that haven't done this planning with us to do it, because personally (I strongly feel at the moment) you never know what is round the corner. To care plan in advance we know what your loved ones wishes are and we have a plan that we can go by. Since we're now accredited we still need to be encouraging relatives to discuss end of life care. There will be a group of staff in on a Thursday afternoon from 4pm till 6pm so do feel free to drop in. If you have not discussed end of life with us then please do get in touch. I will be sending out reminders to relatives after a month!!!

#### Activities

I am going to get in touch with Jo from RAYS to arrange some dates for reading groups. Below is a list of activities planned so far for February:

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at 11am – 'Time for a Cuppa?'

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at 3pm – Jeff Guitarist

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb at 11am – Reminiscence Roadshow

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb at 8pm – Monday Movie Night

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3pm – Jeff Guitarist

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3pm – Kim & Dave Duet

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3pm – Jeff Guitarist

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb at 3pm – Jeff Guitarist

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3pm – Kim & Dave Duet

We look forward to seeing you soon,

*Accredited with*



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