GREETINGS FROM ST ANDREWS

JANUARY 2020



Christmas

Welcome to the first edition of the newsletter, for 2020. We have lots of plans for the next year, and hope that you follow us to watch them unfold. Now lets take a look at how December went for us

ELF DAY

We had Elf day on 6^{th} December, this was a fund raising day, where some staff dressed up, and we sold squares to win hamper prizes. We also had a cake stall, and we had lots of fun all day. In total we raised £170 for the residents fund.





Residents (and Nicky) on elf day

GOODBYE WAYNE

Sadly, we said goodbye to Wayne this month. Our maintainance man, and joker has left to go back up north. He will be greatly missed by all at St Andrews, and we wish him luck for the future. We also welcome his replacement Tony, and look forward to working with him in 2020.



HE'S BEHIND YOU !!

One of the highlights of Christmas is the pantomime, and this years was no exception. We were treated to a production of Dick Whittington and his Cat, which was full of corny jokes and musical numbers. Everyone seemed to really enjoy it, and we were joined by lots of children who encouraged the cheering and the booing.



TRAINING

Some staff members were lucky enough to be sent to Boston to experience the dementia bus. This gave us the opportunity to walk in some of our residents shoes for a while, and to realise what it might be like to live with this illness. All who got the chance to go said that they learned a lot, and there were many things that we had not been aware of. Hopefully this will enhance the way we work with our residents, and give us a better understanding of what they are going through.



Nicky and the dementia bus

ENTERTAINMENT

Residents have enjoyed lots of entertainment this month. We have been blessed with the children from Kirkby la Thorpe school who came to sing carols to us, and we had a visit from Karl, one of our favourite singers, but I think the highlight of the month was The Cranwell Military Wives on December 17th. Their Christmas programme was marvellous, mixing the old with the new, and encouraging everyone present to join in. the hour they were here flew by, and we thank them all for giving their time to us.



NEW STARTERS

When someone new comes to work at St Andrews, we like to ensure that they are well looked after and comfortable, and this is overseen by our new starter champions, Sandy and Kelly-Ann. This month they had a little get together, organised by Lis, where they could air their thoughts and ideas, and get to know each other a little better. There was cake and snacks and I believe the event was well received .



Some of the new starters , with Lis and the champions .

AND FINALLY.....

Everyone at St Andrews would like to wish you a happy new year, and to share some of our Christmas photos with you.

If you would like to see more, please join us on facebook, where we make regular posts about our lives .













Notable Dates In January

17th JEREMY TO SING, 2.30PM

 25^{TH} BURNS CELEBRATION, HAGGIS LUNCH WITH SCOTTISH PIPER TO ADDRESS THE HAGGIS

DEMONSTRATION OF OMI PROJECTOR IN THE OLIVE LOUNGE . 2.30PM

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR THESE EVENTS AND OUR DAILY ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH