

Endeavour Post Autumn 2018

Dear Readers

We welcome some new residents and staff to Endeavour, everyone appears to be settling in well and becoming part of our home, we also sadly, have had to say farewell to some long-term staff who have moved on, Endeavour wishes them well, on their chosen path.



Autumn is Here



Autumn leaves
Red, gold and brown
Falling, swirling,
Drifting down.



Prickly conkers
Cracking, popping.
Branches snap,
Acorns dropping.

Picking pumpkins,
Juicy apples too.
Gathering blackberries
In hedgerows for you.



Foggy mornings
Damp, cold and grey.
Nature's blanket,
Clouding the day.

Swallows gather
Swooping up high.
Off they go
To Africa, they fly.



Hibernating hedgehog,
Finds somewhere to sleep.
Be sure it's not your bonfire
Or your rubbish heap.



Shorter days,
Frosty and wet.
Winter's round the corner,
But not quite yet.



Autumn officially starts the 23rd September and ends on the 21st December 2018.

It's the time of year when it is magical, the trees changing colour, the night's drawing in, the heating on, the home feels nice and cosy.

Thank you to all who participated in our annual quality assurance survey, here are some of the outcomes for 2018.



'The home gives me food and drink that I have told them I prefer.'

Strongly Agree 30%

Agree 70%

'The home does not discriminate against me e.g.: religion, gender or age or for any other reason, all areas of the home feel safe and secure.'

Strongly agree 65%

Agree 35%

'Staff act to support me if I am distressed or in discomfort or need help.'

Strongly agree 100%

*'Training for Staff
100% Strongly agreed that they completed induction training when they commenced employment.'*

'Staff treat me with kindness and compassion. Strongly agree 100%'





Activities:

Welcome to Alison who has taken the challenge of becoming our Activity Coordinator.

Alison has completed the Activity Co-Ordinator training as required

Alison has been working on individuals Coat of Arms, this has been fascinating and a great talking point, the residents are really pleased to see what their coat of arms looks like.

Several residents have been to the picture house cinema to see Bye Bye Birdie, the next cinema date is the 5th December to see the Wizard of Oz, we have plenty of residents looking forward to the Wizard of Oz.



The residents will be tasting different kinds of chocolate bars, in the next week or so, this activity will hopefully encourage their taste buds to enjoy this activity and become a reminiscence activity.

At present the residents, alongside Alison are working towards Halloween decorations and making Pumpkin Soup

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A few of the residents went with Alison to purchase the fruits for the tasting of fruits

Most of the residents have taken part in a week of fruit tasting and making fruit smoothies.

This was also a great success and a good talking point, brought back many memories.



There are a range of activities for our residents to participate in, if they so wish. If the residents want to continue pursuing a lifelong interest or discover new ones, the staff are simply there to offer support and encouragement, all activities are inspired by our residents, helping them to keep up with the things they love, whether its pottering in the garden, listening to music, or just reading the daily news, all are encouraged to continue.

Reading

Singing

Knitting

Arts and Crafts

Brass Rubbing

Cinema

Reminiscence Therapy

September 2nd



*Endeavour held its annual garden party
Over 70 people, had a fabulous afternoon, plenty to
eat and drink, Mr. Paul Black who was back by
popular demand entertained us the whole afternoon.*

*The residents Xmas luncheon and afternoon tea
dance at the Langstone Cliff Hotel in Dawlish is on
the 18th December.*

*The residents and relatives Xmas party at
Endeavour will be held on the 14th December, with
entertainment by Dave and Pam Carter*

Birthdays we will be celebrating.



*Margaret Boddy
Phyllis Godfrey
Freda Parkins
Iris Blanchette
Margaret Tout
Betsy Telling
Jose Ball
Joan Large
Pamela Libretto*

Service Users, Relatives and Friends meetings:

We have been having our meetings for some time, this is advertised on the notice board for all to see, however the attendance from relatives is low, we really want to keep you all informed of what's happening at Endeavour and also to get your suggestions and feedback whether they are good or bad, both of which are really important to us, we do understand that families have other commitments and time is precious, however these meetings are held every quarter and only take approximately an hour, they are important to Endeavour and the people who live here.

Thank you to all Endeavours staff for all their hard work, dedication and bringing joy in to the lives of the residents and making their days meaningful

Thank You. Julie Smith