

VOL. 1 ISSUE 1 · MAY 2022

CHAN NEWSLETTER

Newsletter of Coronation Centre, Healthy Living, Allotment & Neston Day Services



Chat & Cha

BY CATH & LYNN

The next Chat 'n' Cha social at NCYC is on Wednesday 21st May, 1-2.30pm, led by the ever-entertaining Tony. Refreshments will be served by our lovely volunteers, and the chat is provided by you! Let Zaria know if you're coming as spaces are limited. There's no cost but a donation of £2 would help us pay for refreshments. Door to door transport can be provided at a very low cost by Ellesmere Port & Neston Community Transport. Tel. 0151 336 7805 to book



This issue:

Chat & Cha, Neston Day Service

PAGE 01

Civic Hall Pantomime

PAGE 02

Chester Zoo

PAGE 03

Allotment Group

PAGE 04

Learning To Drive

PAGE 05

Easter Bonnets

PAGE 06

New Staff Profiles

PAGE 07



Civic Hall Pantomime

BY MARK BANTON

The pantomime which this year was the Wizard of Oz was an amazing afternoon, we met with Kerry Katona who came into HLC and took pictures with us all, she even gave us a shout out during the Panto. She was really nice and friendly. There were other celebrities in the panto, Barney Harwood (Blue Peter), Brian Kapron (Coronation Street) & Lauren Platt (X-Factor). They'll be back next year for another fun day.



"Kerry Katona came to HLC to see us, she was very nice, she shook hands - she promised to do a shoutout for us."

MARK BANTON



"People forget the good that zoos do. If it weren't for zoos, we would have so many species that would be extinct today."

BETTY WHITE

Zoo Trip

BY CHARLOTTE & MARK FLEMING

The Zoo trip was a ROARING success with everyone who went on the trip saying that they had enjoyed themselves. We went over 3 separate days with the Giraffes and the huge Alligator being the most talked about animals. We didn't see the tigers those days so they must have been hiding. We are planning to go again as there is just too much to see in one day.





"We might think we are nurturing our garden, but of course it's our garden nurturing us"

JENNY UGLOW



ALLOTMENT

BY SALLY

Dorin Park and particularly Rowan class were pleased to have linked up with Vivo care choices and their fabulous allotment facility at the Children's centre in Ellesmere Port. The pupils visited the site during their work skills lessons. Sally & the allotment group readied the allotment in preparation for the Summer.



Below are the winter images from the allotment. The next edition of the newsletter will have the allotment in full bloom.





"It's kind of major, learning to drive. I feel like it kicked up other stuff in my life."

NOAH BAUMBACH

DRIVING LESSONS

BY DEBBIE & MARK

Mark told Debbie that Learning to drive was something he had always wanted to do and that it was 'on his bucket list'...Debbie started to look at ways of achieving this which involved the following;

Debbie found out about an instructor who specialised in teaching adults with LD to drive. She supported Mark in using an App which would train Mark up to pass his theory test and practiced regularly with him. When Mark became worried about the cost of the lessons and was ready to give it all up, Debbie found out about a Government scheme called Motability which would pay for 40 hours of lessons if he successfully applied.

Mark paid for one taster session to decide if he wanted to carry on and apply for the funding. Debbie helped Mark to make a successful application for the funding.





"Spring is the
time of plans
and projects."

LEO TOLSTOY



EASTER

BY CHARLOTTE, PHIL & ANNE

The Arts & Crafts group made Easter bonnets. There was a competition to see who could produce the best bonnet and everyone got to show theirs off at the Social club in Ellesmere Port. Everyone got an Easter egg.



"Congratulations
on getting this job.
We would like you
to know that we as
a team are very
happy to have you
on board. Welcome
on board."

EVERYONE AT VIVO



NEW STARTER PROFILES

BY FRANKIE

Hello, my name is Frankie and I have been at Vivo care choices for the past 5 weeks on work placement. I am currently studying Psychology at the University of Chester and would one day like to work in the health and social care sector.



I am a caring and fun-loving individual who loves getting to know new people and having a good laugh! Some of my hobbies include rock climbing, mountain biking and all thingy arty crafty.

During my time at Vivo care choices, whilst building fantastic relationships with both service users and staff members, I have really been able to exercise my interests in the many activities I have been involved in since I started. I have loved engaging with the service users in weekly sports sessions, bowling, Zumba, bingo and crafts sessions and I am always being kept busy with a game of snooker!

We also had a brilliant time at Chester Zoo; however, my favourite activity would have to be going to the labour club for karaoke on a Monday afternoon! I might not be much of a singer, but dancing along with the service users never fails to put a smile on my face.

Although my time here is drawing to a close, I hope to return in the future, and I'm very grateful to have met so many amazing individuals whilst being a part of this wonderful organisation.

Frankie

