



# St David's Residential Home

Winter Newsletter

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## Hello and welcome to our Winter 2021 newsletter!

We wanted to produce this newsletter to share with you what we've been up to over the last few months. Covid 19 has and continues to be a very trying time for all, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the continued support, kind messages and understanding you have shown. We have a wonderful display of thank you cards that really give us a boost during these difficult times.

## What have we been up to?

Our new website is now up and running, which contains lots of information on our services, visiting, news and events along with a gallery of photographs from all the activities that have taken place recently and over the years. We hope to add more features over the coming months. If you haven't yet looked at our website here is the address you will need. Simply copy and paste into your web browser.

[www.saintdavidscare.com](http://www.saintdavidscare.com) The website is also mobile friendly and has an option to view the site in Welsh.

We are incredibly proud to announce that Andrew and our Kitchen team have been working very hard over the last few months and this has resulted in us maintaining our 5 star food safety rating. Well done to all the team! ★★★★★

We are pleased to advise that one of our long standing Carers, Eve Swinscoe has recently been promoted to Senior Carer. Eve has been with St David's for 4 and a half years and joined us as an apprentice. Our Senior Carer Toni Scholey has also been promoted to Duty Supervisor, well done both!

We also have a new Activities Coordinator, Beth joining the team, who will be working alongside Joan. Read more about Beth and her plans overleaf.



Some of our wonderful staff team who have worked tirelessly through the pandemic

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2021 has been a difficult year, but it hasn't stopped us having fun!

## Activities

Activities have been difficult to maintain at times through the pandemic however we have continued with our 1:1 sessions, poetry afternoons and craft sessions. We've been able to enjoy the garden and have celebrated lots of birthdays.

We are pleased to introduce Beth our new activities Coordinator who started with us on 15th November. Beth has a wealth of experience in the Care Sector and in particular Activities provision. She has put together a thorough activities program for the coming weeks, which will shortly be added to our website. The first few weeks in post, Beth will be spending lots of 1:1 time with our residents, getting to know them and their preferences.

Beth has also produced a weekly newspaper for our residents with updates of upcoming events and activities.

She has lots of plans in the run up to Christmas including Christmas box crafts and decoration, movie afternoons, and we also hope to hold our annual "Deck The halls" day where staff, residents and volunteers will join in to decorate St David's for the festive period and hope to win our Best Dressed Christmas Tree competition!

*Merry Christmas!  
Happy New Year!*



## Improvement works

The scaffolding for our improvement works are now in situ and work is presently ongoing to future proof St David's and create a safer, more structurally sound environment.

Our new dedicated Wi-Fi is nearing completion, we are awaiting our "switch-on" date presently, however once this is complete this will aide zoom and skype calls to become more reliable, and also assist with virtual meetings and consultations with our GP and district nurse team.



Beth & Joan, our fabulous Activities team!

