



Autumn Newsletter 2016

Welcome to the Autumn 2016 edition of our newsletter. It's that time of year to let you know about upcoming events and activities at Bonehill Lodge, but before we do that we would like to say a big thank you for your support with our Summer Garden Party. During the afternoon we managed to raise £259.00 so thank you all for your generosity in helping us raise such a significant amount. This will help us to take your loved ones out into the community and arrange some lovely treats and activities for them all to enjoy, making a huge difference to their enjoyment and quality of daily life.

On a similar note you may also be aware that Sue Olnier, one of our Senior Carers, recently did a sponsored silence which was fab for us all (only joking Sue!). This was a great fundraiser where Sue managed to raise £249.00, all proceeds going towards our resident's activity fund. Thank you Sue for the silence!!!

Moving on to our planned events, we will be having a Halloween Party towards the end of October with entertainment. You are most welcome if you wish to supply some fancy dress for yourself or loved one and join us for some trick or treating! A poster with times and date will be displayed in our reception soon.

Looking further a field, we are starting to plan our Christmas Activities calendar. So far we have a few events on our agenda, one of them being "A DAY AT THE RACES". So that everyone can get into the spirit of things, please provide your loved one with a fancy hat or fascinator for this event. Again dates and times will be made available shortly.

Due to popular demand, we will be taking a trip to Planters and the Longwood as our visits to both places prove to be very successful with our residents. We will be asking volunteers for help and assistance on these trips, so if you would like to put your name down, please contact a member of staff.

You may be aware that we recently had a session of Pet Therapy at The Lodge, which went down a storm with our residents. We will be having the ponies in again for Christmas, as previously it was evident that contact with animals is highly beneficial for older people, particularly those living with dementia. Some of our residents told us that it was therapeutic, calming, uplifting and also brought back some happy forgotten memories.

Last but not least you will receive invitations to our coffee evening with Pete, Mandy and Becky very soon. This is a great opportunity for us to get together and discuss any changes that you would like to see at The Lodge. It's also a great way for families to meet each other and chat too.

During November please look out for our next newsletter, which will have final dates and times for our Christmas events and activities.

Best wishes from all of The Team