

### General Manager Focus



## Newton House Goes Digital!

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> April, we welcomed our first day of using our new digital care planning program, Enable.

We have now transitioned from paper to hand-held technology to update and further improve the care and life enrichment programs on offer here at Newton House.

The Enable technology is more environmentally friendly whilst improving lines of communication between the team; and allows staff quick access to residents care plans.

With easily accessible information (whilst maintaining a very high level of confidentiality), staff will have everything that they need to provide expert care.

General Manager, Sonia Fairhurst said: "For over 30 years we have provided a caring and compassionate home for our residents; as well as the best possible environment for our staff. Today marks a new stage as we step into the digital age and we are excited about how this system will further improve our resident's lives".

A huge thank you to the fabulous Training and Transposing team for all of their hard work in ensuring that we was all prepared for going live!

## Dates for your Diary

### April

10<sup>th</sup>: Live Music with Nick Glover

12<sup>th</sup>: Aintree Ladies Day with a Pamper Party in the morning followed by Afternoon Tea

16<sup>th</sup>: Communal Knit & Natter

18<sup>th</sup>: In-house St Wulframs Church Service

22<sup>nd</sup>: Jazz Evening with Zac performing on the Saxophone

23<sup>rd</sup>: St George's Day celebrations with live music from Steve Carmel

### May

1<sup>st</sup>: Trip to Grantham College for their 'Air Experience'

2<sup>nd</sup>: U3A Ukulele Group performing

8<sup>th</sup>: V E Day celebrations with live music from Emma Lindley

16<sup>th</sup>: In-house St Wulframs Church Service



## NEWS FROM IN AND AROUND Newton House

### ROCK N ROLL DAY

Starting our Rock 'N' Roll themed day with the enjoyable documentary "Hollywood Rocks n rolls in the 50s"

We were then delighted to welcome our friends & their fabulous activities team from Tennyson Wharf Care Home - Barchester Healthcare for a delicious lunch, followed by our very own Rock N Roll party.

This is where the fun began, as we welcomed the most incredible duo that is KJ & the Catt, for party time! The atmosphere was buzzing & everyone had the most amazing time, with many magical moments & a whole home approach, created such an incredible party.



### WORLD BOOK DAY



A fantastic start to our world book day celebrations, with a visit to see our fabulous friends at Poplar Farm School.

The children & staff looked incredible with their amazing world book day costumes, & our residents really enjoyed reading to the children their favourite books.

We were delighted to be invited to their singing assembly, seeing the children having so much fun with their teachers was a joy to watch

Vonny said "it was fantastic seeing everyone looking so good and the singing made me feel very happy, I loved clapping along"

Thank you so much to Poplar Farm School for allowing us to share such a special morning with you and your wonderful pupils.





## INTRODUCING POMME

We are delighted to introduce you to Pomme, our very own Newton House cat. Pomme is a beautiful girl & she is settling in well in her new home on 'Somerby' our residential community.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Clare Harby & her amazing team in Grantham, who dedicate their lives to helping animals in and around Grantham and have rescued hundreds of animals between them. Clare couldn't have found a more 'purrfect' kitty for our residents to love & care for!

Pomme is already making a huge difference to residents living at Newton House, & once she feels more confident in her surroundings, she will be spreading the joy for residents around the home as our very own, beautiful therapy cat.

## SPOTLIGHT ON...

General Manager Sonia Fairhurst and head chef Deb Cope are delighted to award kitchen assistant Jonathan with his 25 year long service award at Newton House.

Jonathan started his career at Newton House in 1999, and at the time he didn't realise that this would be the start of a beautiful love story where he met his now wife, and they have 4 wonderful children together.



## *What we've been up to...*



## CLEARER PRODUCTIONS

We had the absolute pleasure of welcoming back the super talented Nicky & Neil back for a spectacular Clearer Productions musical show. Residents joined together for a morning of music & togetherness, & what a wonderful morning they had too. With music from different genres, beautiful dress changes and an all-round delightful morning, it's fair to say that a fun time was had by all

## AN EGG-CELLENT DELIVERY

We would like to say a huge thank you to the amazing Rob Dixon who kindly surprised us with a large donation of delicious Easter eggs for our afternoon activity.

Each resident was delighted to receive a yummy chocolate egg after their bingo session, and couldn't wait to tuck into them with a nice cup of tea!



# LET'S TALK *facebook*

Don't forget to follow us at  
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**Our best story this month  
had 176 likes:**

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

We welcomed the amazing student Leona from Stamford College for her 2 weeks work experience placement with Newton House. Joining our Activities team to gain further experience and helping with the wonderful life enrichment of the amazing residents living within the home. Leona has been an absolute pleasure to work with and getting to know her beautiful personality.

Resident Ambassador, Janet was delighted to award Leona with her volunteer recognition certificate during our St Patrick's Day Party, and thanked her for her hard work and time



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### BARCHESTER CARE AWARDS

We are delighted to announce that the Barchester Care Awards 2024 are now currently open for nominations. The annual Barchester Care Awards is a fantastic opportunity to recognise the individuals that consistently go above and beyond to support our residents, their families and other team members. Nominations are open for all staff, residents, families, friends, volunteers and visitors should you wish to nominate. Nomination forms can be found at reception or online.



## Thank You

From all the team at Newton House we'd like to say a big thank you to you all for all your support and understanding over the last few months. We'd love you to leave us a review on [carehome.co.uk](https://carehome.co.uk) if you haven't already at [Submit a Review - Barchester Newton House Care Home](#)

## A Quick Note to Say...

We are always striving to improve the quality of the environment within Newton House, and so work will begin shortly to refurbish our kitchen as previously advised. Please bare with us whilst the work is underway, and we would just like to reassure that any disruption to our meal time experience will be minimal.

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