

# OTTLEY HOUSE ECHO

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## *Hello and Welcome!*

Hello and welcome to our autumn issue of The Ottley House Echo.

Our sensory Garden is almost ready for the Grand Opening (date to be confirmed), there are just one or two finishing touches still to make to ensure it can be enjoyed by everyone. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kat our Head Chef for overseeing this project through from beginning to end and to all our volunteers that have helped create a lovely, bright area which I'm sure the residents will enjoy for years to come.

The staff at Ottley House work so hard to ensure the care and wellbeing needs of the residents are met that on October 25<sup>th</sup> I am holding an awards night for them as a personal thank you. Residents, families and staff have been busy voting for their winners, which will be announced on the night.

If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to pop in for a chat – My door is always open.

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# News in and around *Ottley House*

Tom Wenlock  
entertains us



Autumn Poem by  
A.E Housman



Tell me not here, it needs not saying,  
What tune the enchantress plays  
In aftermaths of soft September  
Or under blanching mays,  
For she and I were long acquainted  
And I knew all her ways.  
On russet floors, by waters idle,  
The pine lets fall its cone;  
The cuckoo shouts all day at nothing  
In leafy dells alone;  
And traveller's joy beguiles in autumn  
Hearts that have lost their own.

## Employee of the Month

Sensi Guest was awarded Employee of the Month for her dedication in providing excellent care to the residents and always willing to help her work colleagues.



## Richard Thomas Talks

Richard Thomas came in and gave one of his very interesting Historical Lectures. Richard will research any topic that the residents are interested in and then discuss his findings within the group. Many of our local residents in the nearby community also come along to listen to what Richard has to say.

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## Birthday Celebrations

We always try to make everyone at Ottley House feel special but even more so on their birthday. We put up banners and balloons and our catering team bake a delicious cake which is beautifully decorated for them to enjoy.



## Bonfire Night

We will be getting all creative by drawing and painting many bright and colourful pictures of bonfires and fireworks which will then go on display in our reception area.



## Toffee Apples

**Ingredients:-** wooden sticks, 8 apples, 400gs caster sugar, 1 Tsp vinegar, 4 Tbsp golden syrup, sprinkles or nuts to decorate (optional)

**Method:-** place apples in a bowl of boiling water to remove any waxy coating (the caramel will stick better), dry thoroughly. Push stick into apple (stalk end), put sugar and syrup in a pan with 100ml water, cook for 5 mins until sugar dissolved, add vinegar, boil 150c, dip apples in and twist, leave on a tray to set, decorate if desired.

## Halloween

On 31<sup>st</sup> October at 3pm we will be holding a fancy dress party with a prize for the best costume.

Children of relatives and staff have been invited to join in for lots of fun and games.



# A few words from *Barchester*...

## 'Excellent' Result for Canmore Lodge

Staff and residents at Canmore Lodge Care Home in Dunfermline are celebrating their recent Care Inspectorate Report result, where they scored an overall 'Excellent' after receiving a score of 6 for supporting people's well-being, and 6 for how well the home supports and plans care. The report follows the home's recent success on carehome.co.uk where Canmore Lodge achieved a perfect 10/10 rating. Currently only 1.5% of Scotland's care homes for elderly people have an overall 'Excellent' rating, making Canmore Lodge ranked among the best in the country.



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## 2019 Barchester Care Awards

The Barchester Care Awards is an annual event that showcases the very best that Barchester has to offer. The Care Awards celebrates the fantastic individuals who work and volunteer in Barchester care homes across the UK; and also has a category devoted to recognising the beautiful outdoor spaces tended by residents and staff members.

Our Divisional Winners have already been named, and the award ceremony will be held in Manchester on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, when the National Winners will be announced. Good luck to all our Divisional Winners and thank you to everyone who took the time to make a nomination.

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**CARE**  
**AWARDS**  
*Amazing people*

## Barchester Nominated for 3 Laing Buisson Awards

Barchester is proud to have been named as a finalist in 3 Laing Buisson Awards categories: 'Residential Care (Larger Organisation)', 'Property Developer' and 'Property Investor'. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Park Plaza Westminster Bridge, London, where the winners will be announced.

This year, the awarding body received a record-breaking number of nominations for every single category, with over 400 entries in total.

Last year, we were delighted to take home the 'Property Developer of the Year' award, and Barchester CEO, Pete Calveley was recognized for his amazing work in the care sector by being presented with the 'Outstanding Contributions to Care' award.



## Barchester Holds Key to Future Care

Barchester recently received the keys to Mortain Place in Eastbourne, enhancing our portfolio of care homes.

Lesley Standing, the General Manager of Mortain Place was delighted to accept the keys to the latest 80-bed property on Pevensey Bay Road from the Project Construction Manager Mark Tomalin, from McGoff Construction.

Mortain Place will provide personalised residential and dementia care for 80 older people in the neighbouring community, and will open its doors to residents in October.

Barchester will also be opening another care home in 2019: Trinity Manor in Sherborne. This service will offer dementia and residential care for 64 residents.

