

Working Together Ludlow

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HRH Prince Philip



Members, volunteers and staff at Working Together paid their respects to HRH Prince Philip following the sad news of his death on 9th April, aged 99yrs.

We send our condolences and best wishes to all of the Royal Family.

Members put together a small display about the Duke's life - which included a biography that Thomas had researched.

Welcoming more members at Rockspring



Baking...



gardening...



and sewing...

We're very excited to be able to welcome more members back to our face-to-face services at Rockspring.

In line with the government's roadmap, local Covid infection rates coming down, the vaccination programme and the advice to the Clinically Extremely Vulnerable we're pleased to be able to welcome more members back safely at Rockspring.

We're still only able to have a reduced number in each day, because of the social distancing, but were pleased to be able to offer most of our members at least some Covid Safe face-to-face services.

Whilst members are still only able to attend one day service we will continue to be flexible and offer as many spaces as we are able to do safely.

Youth Club and Diversity have also restarted sessions again after the Easter holidays.

As more members are able to come into Rockspring we will be focusing our online activities on our members that still aren't able (or ready) to come back yet to ensure we are still in regular contact.

Sorry if you have missed our newsletters recently, we had planned to return to Almost Monthly but given all the news we like to share we've changed our minds and will be moving back to Almost Weekly again.



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Easter and Senses of Spring...

Members have been busy putting together a display about Easter and Writers' Club members have been busy writing some great poems on 'Senses of Spring'.

The display included research the members had undertaken and artwork which they have created, including colouring and making egg nests out of clay.



Senses of Spring *by Steph*

I feel the hot sun on my back
I smell the lovely scent of the cherry blossom
I hear the birds singing their tuneful song
I see the daffodils blooming and the lambs jumping
I touch the fresh, warm breeze
I taste the fresh fruit of the garden

Spring Song *by Steph*

I can smell the fresh-cut grass
I can see the blackthorn and hawthorn blossom
looming
I can hear the blackbirds singing and lawnmowers
whirring
I can feel and touch the grass between my toes
and the soft, fluffy chicks
And I can taste the chocolate melting in my mouth.

I Believe in Spring *by Chloe*

I have seen the baby was born
And very young lambs jumping up
I believe the Easter Bunny comes and brings
some chocolate eggs
I taste the chocolate melting in my mouth
I feel the fresh, warm breeze of the mind.

Senses of Spring *by Chloe*

I smell pine trees in my fingers
I see daffodils are blooming in the morning
And snowdrops on the side
I taste or smell pine trees and pine cones
and also blackthorn blossom
I hear skylark and blackbird singing in the
trees
And said "Hello, Mr. Magpie!"
I touch the wind against my neck and warm
sun on my face and grass between my toes
I feel like dancing, full of joy in my garden.

Senses of Spring *by Rachael*

I smell the scent of the flower and
I hear the wind breezing at Eastertime
I see the daylight of Easter Day
I taste the chocolate egg that reaches my tastebuds
I touch the spring lambs and sheep that are baaing
and bleating
The senses of spring have come
That Easter is now arriving in April
I Love the Spring *by Rachael*
I smell the cherry blossom
I hear the blackbird and robin
I see the fresh air in spring
I taste the Easter cake in my mouth
I touch the feeling of the emotions
These are the senses of spring
The cuckoo is now calling.

Zooming in for an Easter BINGO Night

We held a great bingo night recently on Zoom when Youth Club members were joined by Diversity, trustees, staff, volunteers and supporters for a fun packed evening of bingo and jokes.

Dan's Easter Jokes...

What happens to an Easter Bunny when he misbehaves at school? *He's eggspelled...!!!*

Dan's Easter Jokes...

How do you know if an Easter bunny is smart?

He's an egghead...!!!!

Dan's Easter Jokes...

How does an Easter bunny go on holiday? *On a hareoplane...!!!*



Rachael has been enjoying some sunshine and a round of crazy golf in the Lake District. *Looks like some lovely weather!*



Tim's been helping to get the station ready for customers at the Welshpool and Llanfair steam railway. *Well done Tim.*

Good luck Patrick...

We held a small presentation and said good luck to Patrick recently.

Patrick is leaving us to begin a course at Derwen College and we all wish him the very best (we still hope to still see Patrick in the holidays).



Down Syndrome Day



This year, World Down Syndrome Awareness Day was on Sunday 21st March.

To celebrate the event, we've reprinted this beautiful poem...

Me by Rachael Clarke

I am me as a person, as a Down's Syndrome person

I am me the poet and the poem is the pastel-coloured picture

I am me in the Mary Poppins drawing

And for I am me in the sketches of portrait of my love

Matt Monro is the singer and I am the singer that sings Born Free

I am a person and a proud person of hyper Down's Syndrome

I am downhearted and sorrowful and full of envy and jolly and pretty

I am me the person that turned out to be Down's Syndrome, Rachael Anne Clarke.



Thomas has been busy helping the Food Bank by sorting through donations and checking out those 'Best Before End' dates!

Please keep sharing your pictures and stories. We love seeing them...

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