



### **Easter Raffle Draw Appeal for Prizes – Drawn on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm**

We are now collecting Easter items for our Easter Raffle draw on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm, so any Easter Eggs or Easter items you can kindly donate will be very gratefully received; we have various prizes collected so far which include Easter Eggs, Wine, Easter Bunny, Easter Chick, Easter Lamb & Denise from our kitchen will kindly be making an Easter Cake nearer the time.

Raffle tickets located below the notice board in the usual place will be on sale from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, so please help yourself to the raffle tickets, if the raffle ticket box is not there for some reason, it will be in the office.

### **Musical Entertainment with 'Which One's Gerry' – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join us for a Musical Afternoon with 'Which One's Gerry' on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge, so get with all the moves we will be singing and swaying all afternoon!!

All are very welcome!

### **Easter Craft Session – Making Easter Cards with Gen & Judy on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 1.30pm in the Dining Room**

Come and join Gen & Judy making your own Easter Cards on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 1.30pm in the dining room. They might even get the Sherry bottle out!! Well it is the Weekend!!

All very Welcome!

### **Shopping Trolley – Every Monday**

The shopping trolley is still scheduled to visit your bedroom or the lounges every Monday either morning or afternoon, please ask a member of staff if you need to purchase anything at any other time and they will be happy to help. For those residents that are new, our shop sells confectionary, crisps and bathroom items. We also have a selection of greeting cards available for purchase in the front entrance; please see a member of staff if you are interested in having a look.

### **Afternoon 'Quiz it' with Lesley on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join in with an afternoon quiz on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge, go on have a go and remember it's not a test it's just for fun!! All very Welcome!

### **Short Story with Gilly – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Large Lounge**

Come and join us for another short story on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the large lounge, don't worry if you fall asleep I won't mind just try not to snore!! All very welcome!

### **Easter Craft Session – Making Easter Bonnets Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the Dining Room**

Come and join us for our fun craft session making Easter Bonnets on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the dining room, go on we will have fun, fun, fun!!

All very Welcome!!

### **Matthew Harris (G-Fitness) - Exercise Fun Session – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April from 3.30pm – 4.30pm after Bingo in the Large Lounge**

If you like a bit of fun and laughs this exercise activity is the one for you when we welcome Matthew Harris (G-Fitness) Exercise Fun Session on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April from 3.30pm – 4.30pm following our bingo session in the large lounge. Go on you know you want to join in!!

All very welcome!

### **Holy Communion (Every Fortnight) – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Small Lounge**

Come and join Pat from our local church for 'Holy Communion' and a chat on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> April (every fortnight) at 11am in the small lounge. All very Welcome.

### **Games – Cards with Gilly – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Dining Room**

Come and join in with a game of cards on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the dining room. Hopefully we will find a game to suit all! Well let's hope! Oh and No Cheating! Oh ok just a bit! Go on come and join in it will be fun! All very welcome!

### **Bible Stories with Marie & Sharon – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the Small Lounge**

Come and join us for some 'Bible Stories' with Marie & Sharon on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the small lounge. Marie & Sharon are coming in to read at a nice slow gentle speed and will also stop reading to chat about the story along the way. All very welcome.

### **Bingo with Leslie / Gilly Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join us for another Bingo Session on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge with Lesley / Gilly. Do come along if you would like to take part and enjoy lots of laughs, a bit of singing along the way and of course win a prize! All are very welcome.

### **Minibus Trip - 'Stables Cafe' Saul Canal for Lunch on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 11.30am**

Come and join us on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 11.30am for a drive out through the lovely countryside to 'The Stables Cafe' at Saul Canal for lunch and a chat. Please let Jacky or Gilly know if you are interested.

### **Pets for Therapy Dog Visit on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April from 11am with Julia & 'Betsy'**

We look forward to welcoming Betsy the chocolate Labrador and her servant Julia to Highborder Lodge on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April from 11am onwards, Julia will be bringing in Betsy on opposite weeks to Mary & Murphy so you can look forward to a cuddle from Betsy, it's ok Murphy said he won't be jealous!!

### **'The Gentle Park Walks' & Coffee at the Museum in Stratford Park will be on two Fridays each month The next dates are Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Come and join us for 'The Gentle Park Walks' Event Meetings held at Stratford Park Museum on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April. These events are held to enable people to socialise whilst enjoying a walk or wheel in the park followed by a chat over a nice cuppa in the Museum, and of course also have a look around the Museum if the weather is not good for walking in the park.

Please let Gilly know if you are interested so she can make staff and transport arrangements.

### **Aromatherapy Massage with Jackie Leake – Next visit's will be Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April from 10am onwards**

Jacky will continue to visit us every two weeks to do hand, foot, head or shoulder massages and of course have a chat! Everyone finds it a very relaxing and enjoyable experience. Jacky's next visits will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April from 10am onwards. Please keep up the continued support of this very valued service and remember the more residents that use this service the lower the price for all. Please see a member of staff if you are interested in this service and they will be happy to add you to Jacky's list.

### **Baking Club with Chef Karen & Lesley – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Dining Room**

Come and join us for a baking session on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm, join in with the fun and laughs we have whilst creating some sort of baking masterpiece!! All are very welcome!

### **Games – 'Beetle Drive' – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Dining Room**

Come and join in with a game of 'Beetle Drive' on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the dining room, it will be fun, oh and no real Beetles used!! Thank goodness for that!! All very Welcome!

### **Easter Craft Session - Making Easter Bunnies – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Dining Room**

Come and join in with our Easter Craft Session making Easter Bunnies on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the dining room come on have a go guaranteed lots of laughs!!

All very Welcome!!

**'Men's Club' Meeting at 'The Old Crown Inn' at Paganhill, Stroud on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm – 4pm**

There is a 'Men's Club' meeting at 'The Old Crown Inn' at Paganhill, Stroud on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm – 4pm for anyone that would like to go along to see what it's like, we will go on our Highborder Lodge minibus. There will of course be refreshments available some strong and some not!! The choice is yours as Cilla used to say!! Go on give it a go!! These meetings take place on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Please let Gilly know if you are interested.

**Quiz with Gilly on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Top Lounge**

Come and join in with a quiz on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the top lounge, go on have a go and remember it's not a test it's just for fun!! All very Welcome!

**Village 'Women's Fellowship' held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April from 2.30-4/4.30pm**

Please let Gilly or Karen know if you are interested in going to the 'Village Women's Fellowship' held at our village hall on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April from 2.30pm – 4pm / 4.30pm, this will be another chance to meet people living in the village. (£1 entry charge and .50p for refreshments). Go on be brave and give it a go!! (Staff will accompany residents). All very Welcome.

**Minibus Trip – Pub Lunch Out on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 11.30am**

Come and enjoy a chat / laugh & pub lunch out on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 11.30am. Any pub suggestions very welcome! Please let Jacky or Gilly know if you are interested.

**Making Sweet Bags for Bingo Prizes – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April before Bingo in the Large Lounge**

Please come and join Gilly and Lesley making up some pretty sweet bags for bingo prizes on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April before bingo in the large lounge. Do come along for this activity and enjoy a chat and a laugh even if you don't stay for the bingo session! All are very welcome!

**Bingo with Gilly Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join us for another Bingo Session on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge with Gilly. Do come along if you would like to take part and enjoy lots of laughs, a bit of singing along the way and of course win a prize! All are very welcome.

**Pets for Therapy Dog Visit on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> April from 11am with Mary & 'Murphy'**

We look forward to welcoming Murphy the chocolate Labrador and of course his servant Mary Hall back to Highborder Lodge on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> April from 11am onwards, so if you're in need of a cuddle Murphy's the name!!

### **Easter Raffle will be drawn on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm**

Come and join in with our Easter Raffle draw on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm, we have various prizes which include Easter Eggs, Wine, Cuddly Easter Chick, Easter Bunny, Easter Lamb & Denise from our kitchen will kindly be making an Easter Cake nearer the time.

Raffle tickets located below the notice board in the usual place will be on sale from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April so please help yourself to the raffle tickets, if the raffle ticket box is not there for some reason, it will be in the office.

### **Musical Entertainment with 'Bert Lush' – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April from 6.30pm in the Top Lounge**

We welcome back 'Bert Lush' on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April from 6.30pm in the top lounge after tea, so get ready for a musical evening with drinks and some evening nibbles, plus some laughs with our friend Bert!!

All are very welcome!

### **Classical Concert Afternoon with Lesley / Carer – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Small Lounge**

Come and join us for another Classical Concert afternoon on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the small lounge.

All very Welcome!

### **Highborder Lodge Hosting the Village 'Coffee Pot' – (Coffee Morning) - Held at Highborder Lodge on this occasion on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April from 10am – 12Noon**

Come and join us hosting the Village 'Coffee Pot' (Coffee Morning) on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April from 10am until 12 Noon here at Highborder Lodge in our dining room. This is another chance to meet new people from the village and enjoy a chat and coffee. All are very welcome!

### **Game – 'Call My Bluff' with Gilly on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join in with a game of 'Call My Bluff' on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April from 1.30pm in the Top Lounge, it will be lots of fun (Well hopefully!!). All Welcome!!

### **Short Story with Gilly – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Large Lounge**

Come and join us for another short story on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the large lounge, don't worry if you fall asleep I won't mind just try not to snore!!

All very welcome!

### **Bingo with Gilly Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join us for another Bingo Session on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge with Gilly. Do come along if you would like to take part and enjoy lots of laughs, a bit of singing along the way and of course win a prize! All are very welcome.

### **Two Minibus Trips –Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

**Morning trip to ‘The Ragged Cot’ for Morning Coffee / Tea or a Pint from 10.30am**

**Followed by an afternoon trip to the ‘Highfield Garden Centre’ from 2pm**

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am come and join us for a morning drive out through the lovely countryside to ‘The Ragged Cot’ inn for a Pint or Morning Coffee / Tea and a chat, or an afternoon trip to ‘Highfield Garden Centre’ for an afternoon cuppa & browse from 2pm. The choice is yours!!

### **Afternoon Quiz with Gilly on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April from 1.30pm - 3pm in the top lounge**

Come and join in with an afternoon quiz on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April from 1.30pm - 3pm in the top lounge, go on have a go and remember it’s not a test it’s just for fun!! All very Welcome!

### **Games Afternoon with Lesley on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and enjoy a ‘Games Afternoon’ with Lesley on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge, come on it will be fun! All very Welcome!

### **Word Games – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the Small Lounge**

Come and join in with ‘Word Games’ on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April from 11am in the small lounge, go on join in it will get you thinking and it’s just a bit of fun and the sessions do vary!! If we get bored we can have a chat instead!! All very Welcome!

### **Making Sweet Bags for Bingo Prizes – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April before Bingo in the Large Lounge**

Please come and join Gilly and Lesley making up some pretty sweet bags for bingo prizes on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April before bingo in the large lounge. Do come along for this activity and enjoy a chat and a laugh even if you don’t stay for the bingo session! All are very welcome!

### **Bingo with Leslie / Gilly Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

Come and join us for another Bingo Session on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge with Lesley / Gilly. Do come along if you would like to take part and enjoy lots of laughs, a bit of singing along the way and of course win a prize! All are very welcome.

### **Musical Memories Singers / Songs Brain Teasers – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am in the Conservatory / Top Lounge area**

Come and join in with ‘Musical Memories Singers / Songs Brain Teasers’ on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am in the conservatory / top lounge area, go on join in it will get you thinking, it’s just a bit of fun!! All very Welcome!

### **Minibus Trip to Clevedon - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April from 11am**

Come and join us for a trip to Clevedon and enjoy lunch at ‘The Moon Sixpence Inn’ with some views of the sea, then if the weather is ok a walk along the sea front. Please let Jacky / Gilly know if you are interested.

## **Musical Entertainment with the 'Music Maestro' – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the Top Lounge**

We welcome back the 'Music Maestro' on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm in the top lounge, so get ready for a lovely musical afternoon. All are very welcome!

## **Visitors Reminder regarding 'Fire Evacuation Procedure'**

Just to remind visitors if you hear the fire alarm please proceed to the nearest fire exit and assemble in the car park. Please do not return into the building until it is announced safe to do so. Please note maintenance always test the fire alarms every Tuesday at 9am, however if the fire alarm is continuous please evacuate the building. Thank you

## **Family / Friends reminder regarding taking residents out**

Just to remind Family & Friends please remember to let a member of staff know if you are taking one of our residents off site and also remember to sign out, it would also be helpful to know whether they will be back for meal time so we can keep our kitchen updated. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## **Hand and Nail Pamper Session's with Lesley**

The hand and nail pamper session consists of your hands being gently soaked & then having some hand lotion gently rubbed in and then filing and painting your nails. This is proving to be popular with the ladies at Highborder Lodge. Please let Lesley know if you are interested and she will be happy to add you to her list!

## **Monthly Library Visits – Next Visit to be advised**

Please join us for a visit to the Stonehouse Library once a month. The next visit to be advised, Gilly will put a poster up as soon as she is informed of a date, so if you would like to go along to the library to browse and pick your own books please let a member of staff know so they can put you on the library outing list.

## **Door Code**

Apologies for regularly changing the door code but this is part of our regulations and in the interest of all who reside and are employed by Highborder Lodge please do not give out the key code to the front door to anyone you do not know.

## **Comments, Concerns or Complaints**

If you have any Worries, Concerns or Complaints please address to the Manager or Deputy Manager, all complaints will be treated seriously and in confidence. Please refer to your resident's handbook or the information for clients, visitors & staff book found in the front entrance.

## **Comments Book – (How well did we do or not?)**

For any new residents and families / friends just to make you aware we have a 'Comments Book' situated in the front entrance next to the signing in book, please feel free to make use of this book, as this supports improvements to the service delivered.

## **Lost and Found Items**

Please contact the office if you have lost any items and we will do our best to help.

## **Sunday Lunch invitation - for families to join their Highborder Lodge relative for a Private Lunch. Visitors Lunches are £7.50 for a two course meal each relative.**

Relatives will be made very welcome to join their resident family member for a private Sunday Lunch or any day in the week. There will obviously be a reasonable small charge of £7.50 for each relative. Please remember to let the office know in advance if you have guests staying for meals so our chef can get extra supplies in! Thank you.

## **Personal Flower arrangement for your own room**

If you would like to do your own flower arrangement to have in your own room please see Gilly and she can get some flowers and an oasis for you, obviously there will be a small cost for the flowers and oasis but it won't be very much. Please let Gilly know if you are interested and she will be happy to help you!

## **Minibus Trips Every Thursday**

If you fancy a trip out for a pleasant drive around our wonderful countryside and a stop off for refreshments please let Gilly know so she can book your seat on the bus. Also please let Gilly know if you have any other ideas for small trips out and she will do her best to arrange this for you.

## **Activities**

Activities could be anything from Flower arranging, coffee mornings at the village Church, to walks out or wheels out in the wheelchair for some fresh air (weather permitting), a chat and a cup of tea, craft activities or various minibus trips some including lunch out. If you have any other suggestions or ideas I will be only too pleased to hear from you. Gilly and other members of staff will also try to fit in some unscheduled one to one's when possible.

## **Reminder for Trips Out**

Please remember to let Gilly or Jacky know if you would like to go on a trip so you can be added to the list in the diary to save any disappointment, on some occasions we have spaces available on the day where someone has decided not to go but on the whole it is better to book your place.

## **Personal Expenditure Accounts**

We would welcome anyone wishing to check their personal account when visiting residents as this would help greatly with keeping our administration costs to a minimum. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## **Personal Appointments**

**Please see notice board / office for further information**



Just to inform any new residents & families that our minibus will only be made available for emergency appointments as it is primarily used for our residents outings. We would like to emphasise that it is the responsibility of families to provide an escort for their relative but in extenuating circumstances, we will endeavour to provide an escort, the cost of which will be incurred by the family / relative. This can be deducted from residents personal expenditure if required. Please see the office if you have any concerns regarding appointments / hospital transport and we will do our best to help.

### **Polite Notice – Car Parking near the Garden Borders**

Please do not park too near the garden borders as our gardener needs to be able to have enough space to tend them, also you may damage the plants. Thank you for your kind attention in this matter.

### **New Residents – Laundry labelling**

Just a little reminder to our new respite and permanent residents to please remember to label all clothing on admission to Highborder Lodge. Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

### **Visitors Signing in Sheet – adding a car registration column**

On occasions our car park can be very full and lead to double parking for short periods of time so to assist the office with being able to locate car owners during these busy times we will be updating our 'visitors signing in sheets' to include a car registration column, we would be very grateful for your assistance in this matter.

### **Residents News**

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new permanent and respite residents and hope their stay will be very happy here at Highborder Lodge.

### **Staff News**

We would also like to welcome our new staff to our team and hope they will be happy here at Highborder Lodge.

***Thank you for taking the time to read this. If you would like to make any comments or contributions then do please let our Manager Caroline or any of the office staff know!***



The April birth flowers are the **daisy** and the **sweet pea**.

*April Birth Month Flower: The Daisy*

The [daisy](#) conveys innocence, loyal love, and purity. Yet, it is also a flower given between friends to keep a secret; the daisy means "I'll never tell."

*April Birth Month Flower: The Sweet Pea*

The other April flower is the [sweet pea](#). While sweet peas signify blissful pleasure, on the other hand they are also used to say good-bye.

# Happy Easter

