

**Wishing you all a safe and Happy New Year!**

It is not the start to the New Year we had all hoped for, but we hope this finds you safe and well. Lockdown life continues and we continue to do all we can to support our residents, respite users and families – face to face and virtually.

### **What's been happening at Archway?**

Although we weren't able to enjoy family Christmas's or the usual visits and activities, staff worked hard to ensure our permanent residents at Berryden Mills, St Margaret's Place and Westburn Road all had a lovely Christmas. Santa and his elf even made a special visit on Christmas Eve to say hello! With tighter restrictions in place again, our in-house activities continue including sing-a-longs, movie nights and craft sessions as well as our online activities for all to join in.

Respite breaks are continuing at Dyce and everyone who has been in has enjoyed their time catching up with staff and friends as well as all the activities on offer while parents get a chance to relax and recharge for just a few days!

### **New Posts & New Faces**

There have been a few changes on the staff front. Angi Wood (formerly Angi Leadbetter) now has responsibility for our permanent care services. She is now registered manager for our St Margaret's Place service, with Sandra Shand reverting back to managing Berryden Mills full-time. Sekayi Kanyangarara joined us recently as manager at Westburn Road.

Over on the respite front, Anne-Marie Woodside is now Operations Manager with responsibility for respite services. Nicolle Wiseman has taken up post of Respite Manager for both Dyce and Two Mile Cross supported by 2 new Assistant Managers – Donna Leinster at Dyce and Gary Finnie at Two Mile Cross.

Michelle Edgar joined our team as well in November as Learning and Development and she has been getting to know our staff and services over the last few weeks.

### **Archway @ Home**

Our online weekly activity programme – Archway @ Home continues and is open to all Archway respite users, residents and families to join. If you haven't joined already and would like to please search for our private facebook group "Archway @ Home".

### **What's been happening with you?**

Let us know what you have been doing - send us your stories and pictures and we will post them on our Facebook page. Contact Janine at [janine.davies@archway.org.uk](mailto:janine.davies@archway.org.uk) or message us on Facebook.

## **ARCHWAY NEWS JANUARY 2021**



### Fundraising for Archway

A huge thank you to everyone for your support in 2020. You not only helped us raise much needed funds - your kindness and thoughtfulness in so many other ways helped brighten dark days and let us know you were thinking of us.

Our main fundraising project going forward is to raise £250,000 to open another Supported Living Service by 2023. More of our respite service users will have the opportunity to move onto independent living with the support they need. But we will still be raising funds for every service and to benefit everyone coming to Archway. 2021 looks set to be as challenging as last year for fundraising and we need your support more than ever. There is lots you can do....

### Archway Challenge

Why not set your own challenge - virtually or otherwise or ask someone you know to do it? It could be something big like running a marathon distance, something small such as a 5km walk, or something indoors like climbing Everest at home by going up and down your stairs! You could do it on your own or ask your friends to do it with you. If sport isn't your thing, do something else. Ask for donations in lieu of birthday or Anniversary gifts, give up your favourite tippie or treat for a week - or a month and donate what you would have spent. A regular monthly donation or a legacy is a gift that will change lives for a lifetime. Please contact Janine – [Janine.davies@archway.org.uk](mailto:Janine.davies@archway.org.uk) to find out more.

### Virtual Kiltwalk 2021 23rd – 25th April Registration now LIVE!

Last year our small band of 15 Kiltwalkers helped raise over £10,000 for Archway. Just think what we could raise if more people took part. It's fun, it's easy – you can walk, run or even boogie – you don't even have to leave your own home! But whatever you do, everything you raise is topped up by a **massive 50%** thanks to Sir Tom Hunter. **You can register now by going to the Kiltwalk website** [www.thekiltwalk.co.uk](http://www.thekiltwalk.co.uk) don't forget to nominate Archway when you register.

### A New Corporate Partner

We are delighted to announce that Kellas Midstream has chosen Archway as one of its charity partners for 2021. Kellas like to help charities where they feel their contribution can make a difference and we look forward to working with our new corporate partner this year.

### Archway Charity Shop

Sadly, our Charity Shop will be closed until the current restrictions have been lifted but please save all your donations – we will need them when we reopen!

### Keep in touch and keep up to date:

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