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St Dominics Residential Home

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This Month we are celebrating our Annual Summer Fete. We are still collecting new or nearly new items of clothing, handbags or jewellery, items for bric-a-brac and tombola but more importantly we are hoping to see all your family and friends on the day having a great time. Our staff have been very busy organising this year's fete, Rachel our gardener has been keeping the garden looking beautiful, Ellie and Margaret have been battling the spiders in the garage whilst finding books and stuff for our bric-a-brac and we have been getting lots of carers and family members offering to help on the day.

[Lets Review Last Month](#)

[Ray Bantz Chyme Ringers](#)

We once again enjoyed the lovely music from Ray and his fellow Chyme ringers. We really enjoy this type of music as it makes us feel nice and relaxed. Bunty especially enjoys music like this. She finds it very peaceful. Jessie and Mary love singing along to the familiar tunes.

[Feering singers](#)



The Feering singers visited us in July and joined us for tea and cupcakes. We had a wonderful sing song and really enjoyed the company of our local singing group. We knew all the songs and were able to sing along. Helga, Nana and Margaret even got up for a dance.

[RAF 100 Flypast](#)



Our residents were so very pleased to be able to sit out to watch the flypast of some of the 100 aircraft flying over in celebration of the RAF's



centenary. Unfortunately, we were not sure in which direction they were coming, so when the first planes were spotted it was all hands to deck to turn the residents around to have the best view. Then it was back to have dessert and chat about the planes they had just witnessed and reminisce a little.



Bernard the story teller

As requested by Ruby, we had Bernard the story teller come to see us. He sang along to tunes we knew and played his guitar as well. Ruby especially enjoyed the joyful music and had a chat with Bernard afterwards.

Millie's work Experience

The daughter of one of our carers came in to do some work experience. She had a lovely time and was welcomed by everyone. Millie joined in with all sorts of activities such as skittles, arts and crafts, quizzes and more. Not only this, she also helped out in the kitchen making Beryl's birthday cake and some cupcakes for the afternoon coffee. She also got stuck in doing a bit of washing up. All in all, Millie really enjoyed her week at St Dominics, growing especially attached to Nana and Joyce. Joyce even sweet-talked her into doing her nails a few times. You can't beat a bit of pampering!

Meet our resident Jean

Jean was born and brought up in Witham with her mother, father and elder brother, Colin. Colin was only 18 month's older than her and this meant they got on ever so well due to the close age gap. Jean's mother was a nurse 'up North' and her father was a teacher who taught all subjects. Jean went to an all girls County High School in Chelmsford. She really enjoyed school, particularly Maths, which led her to get a job at Barclay's bank. Jean met her husband at the local youth club that they used to attend. She really enjoyed going to this youth club as they had all sorts of games and activities for them to do. Jean's father wouldn't allow her to be married until she was 21 so that's when she married her dear husband Percy. Jean and her husband both worked at the Bank and Jean then went on to have 3 beautiful children. Her eldest is Martin, followed by Claire and Jackie. Jean worked part-time whilst the children were growing up. Jean is now living here at St Dominics and enjoys the company of other residents. She gets regular visits from her 3 children and is always excited to see her 2 grand children, Bradley and Francesca.



Meet our staff member Ellie

Ellie has been working at St Dominics for 2 years now. She started off only working weekends. This was due to her working in a dental surgery as an apprentice during the week. Ellie enjoyed her weekend job here so much she decided to come here full time! Ellie worked as a carer for a year but then moved on to run the activities team and loves her job very much. Ellie is 20 years old and lives with her mum. She is also the niece of Debbie and Tracy, our Home Supervisor and our Home Manager.



What's on Next Month?

Disney Day – August 1st – All day

Holy Communion – August 2nd – 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Kiddley Divey – August 9th – 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Jeff Dukes – August 15th – 11am -12pm

Bernard the story Teller – August 20th - 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Summer Fete – August 25th – 2pm onwards

Birthdays

3rd August – Lesley

9th August – Bunty



Brain Teasers

1. What can point in every direction but can't reach the destination by itself.
2. There are two bodies on the floor. They are surrounded by water and broken glass. How did they die?
3. There is a dead man in the middle of a field, nothing is around him and there are no footprints of any sort. There is an unopened package next to him. How did he die? HINT: As he approached the field he knew he was going to die.

Ask Ellie for answers



St DOMINIC'S SUMMER FETE

Book Stall

Cake Stall

Games

Tombol

Toy Stall

Children's Tombola

Wool Stall

Hamper Raffle

Bric-a-brac

Plants

Vintage Hand Me downs

Photo Booth

Raffle's

(New or Nearly New)

Saturday 25th August 2018

2pm – 4pm

