

# March 2024 Newsletter



If music be the food of Love, play on, said Orcino in Shakespeare's comedy, 12th night. Well in February,, we have had both music and love.....Welcome to the March newsletter!

We began February with the Rev. Caroline Bland, who came to us, and did holy communion in the Lodge, and then went round the rooms to offer communion to our other residents. I know a lot of you really appreciated this and will be looking forward to the first Wednesday of each month. We had violins, violins and more violins, first with seven of Cara Vella's young Suzuki method students who ranged between the ages of 5 & 12, who played absolutely amazingly, then we had a young man called Herbie, who came to us on work experience and very kindly played a couple of pieces that he had had learnt on the violin, after this, we had the Moonlighting Duo who also came and played violin, and don't, let's forget the wonderful Norma, who came on Valentine's Day, and played lovely romantic love songs for us all to help set the mood, though her instruments are, of course, mandolin and accordion! We have also had a young man called Jake Buckland, who has been helping out on the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme, so a big thanks to both Herbie and Jake from myself, and all the staff.

In the upcoming month of March, we have quite a few special dates for our calendars, we have Mother's Day on the 10th, Saint Patrick's Day on the 17th, and Easter Day on the 31st. In terms of activities, we have a silent disco booked for Saturday the 16th, plenty of music, from our usual favourites, Mel and his piano, the moonlighting duo, and not forgetting the fantastic Annie Martin who will be returning on Saturday the 30th. For those of you, who crave a little bit of peace and quiet through meditation, Roger will be turning up with his gongs on Saturday 2nd, and then, for you creatives, we will be making Easter cards on the 6th, after we've had holy communion in the morning, lastly on the 27th, towards the end of the month, we have a visit from Sohootiful and their beautiful owls. Too wit too woo! 🦉🦉🦉 I do hope you all have a wonderful month and take advantage of everything we have on offer here at The Steppes, especially all our new residents, to whom I'd like to extend a very warm, welcome indeed.

With very best wishes from myself and all the staff, Karen 🥰

