



# Chestnuts Care Home Newsletter

April 2021



## Welcome

Welcome to the monthly newsletter for The Chestnuts Care Home.

This newsletter is for residents, families and staff and is also published on our website at [www.chestnutscarehome.co.uk](http://www.chestnutscarehome.co.uk)

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## Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April Outside entertainer

Weather permitting.....  
we will have an entertainer  
to sing and play  
the ukulele!



## Apetito Tasting afternoon

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
3pm

Come and join us in the dining room to taste some new dishes from apetito!!



## Activities with Tamla set out for the week:

**Mondays** - Daily and Sparkle and Quiz

**Tuesdays** - Motivation 11am and arts and crafts 3pm

**Wednesdays** - Manicures

**Thursdays** - Music afternoon

**Fridays** - Reminiscing and Daily Sparkle

## Mini bus outings!!

We will be going out in the mini bus a few times this month!

Dates to be confirmed dependant on weather!

Tea and cake will be taken with us so if you wish to join us then let Tamla know!!



## Residents and Staff Birthdays!

Peggy - 4<sup>th</sup> April  
Pearl - 30<sup>th</sup> April



*Through March Tamla will be recording video messages for those that wish to send to their families.*



*Important dates this weekend.....*

*Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - April fool's day  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Good Friday  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Sunday  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Monday*



*We are hoping to have an easter Sunday Zoom call with the Church*

*Updates to follow*



*Special dates in April*

*Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April - Grand National Day*



*Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April - Ramadan starts until 11<sup>th</sup> May*

*Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Charlie Chaplin was born in 1889*



*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April - Queen Elizabeth's birthday*

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - St Georges Day and William Shakespeare was born in 1564*



*Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April - is Anzac Day and also the London Marathon*

*Throughout March we have enjoyed celebrations for St Patricks Day and Mother Day afternoon tea!*

*We have also enjoyed all the donations made of cakes and daffodils!*

*We also celebrated World poem day with an afternoon of poems from Tamla, Pearl and Aileen!*

*Get together with Lesley will be on*

*Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 2.15pm*



*Tamla's 1:1 get togethers will be on*

*Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April*



## Residents Corner



### DONKEYS

The Ass or Donkey is a rare, wild small horse with long ears and a tuft at the end of its tail. Some say that there are two different sorts of ass or donkey.- The bi-ped one (us) and the quadruped one- the ass. If we behave foolishly we say we 'make an ass of our selves'. Of the Quadruped one there are many literacy references of this harmless, gentle, sure-footed and sometimes stubborn beast.

Sancho Panza, the squire of that famous knight Don Quixote rode an ass behind his master's magnificent steed Rozinante. Sancho called his ass Dapple.

Robert Louis Stevenson had a famous Donkey that took him on his journeys through the Cevennes, as told in his book 'Travels with a Donkey'.

Mohammed had an ass on which he rode to heaven. It was called Al Borak which means 'lightening'. Why Lightening ? I've seen no sign of speed with beach donkeys, unless they are chasing a carrot or are heading for home.

Another Ass or Donkey was Balaam's Ass, which warned its master three times and three times he was beaten mercilessly. Read the story in Numbers 22.

Finally the colt of an ass upon which our Lord made his triumphant entry into the City of Jerusalem, as a King coming in Peace. 'Behold thy King cometh lowly and riding on an ass' (Zech. 9 v.9)

On Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter, we commemorate this day on which our Saviour entered Jerusalem, when the crowd cried 'Hosanna to the Son of David' and palm-branches were strewed in His way. It is to this honoured of all asses that G.K. Chesterton refers to in the following lines.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,  
Of ancient, crooked will;  
Starve, scourge, deride me:  
I am dumb. I keep my secret still.  
Fools! For I also had my hour:  
One far fierce hour and sweet:  
There was a shout about my ears,  
And palms before my feet. >>



Even the horse has had no nobler tribute paid to his kind.

Aileen Stewart.



*We are now booking for weekly visits to the home, each resident can have 2 designated visitors that can visit weekly in our summer cabin.*

*Staff continue to be tested 3 times a week due to the increase in the cases of COVID -19, residents continue to be tested every month, however more if needed or other symptoms occur or new admissions to the home.*

*Resident testing is going to be Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April after breakfast around 10am*

*We also have an iPad now so let Tamla know if you would like to complete a video call!*

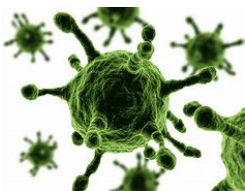
*Sarah continues to print off the Sunday Church sermon for residents and this is placed on the side board in the dining room.*

*Mo continues to come in Tuesday afternoons and all-day Wednesdays to do residents hair and gets tested weekly with the staff. Sharon also gets tested weekly with the staff*

*We have a new Chiropodist Richard who will also be tested when he comes in. Dates to be confirmed with Tamla!*

### **Coronavirus Update**

*If you have to go to hospital for a planned appointment or emergency then after your return, we are self-isolating residents for 14 days.*



*If you drop anything off for residents then please ensure it is labelled and brought to the front of the house and not given to residents out the back.*

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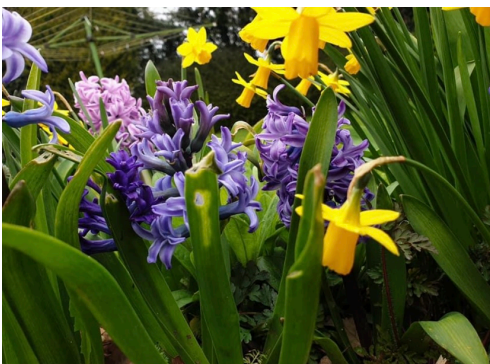
*Please watch the Chestnuts Facebook page for any updates! And Lesley and Sarah continue to send updates to family/relatives.*



*Jane and Trevor continue to keep our garden looking beautiful*



*Photo Gallery*



# Easter Word Search



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Bonnet  
Bunny  
Candy  
Chicks  
Chocolate  
Daffodil  
Decorate  
Ducks



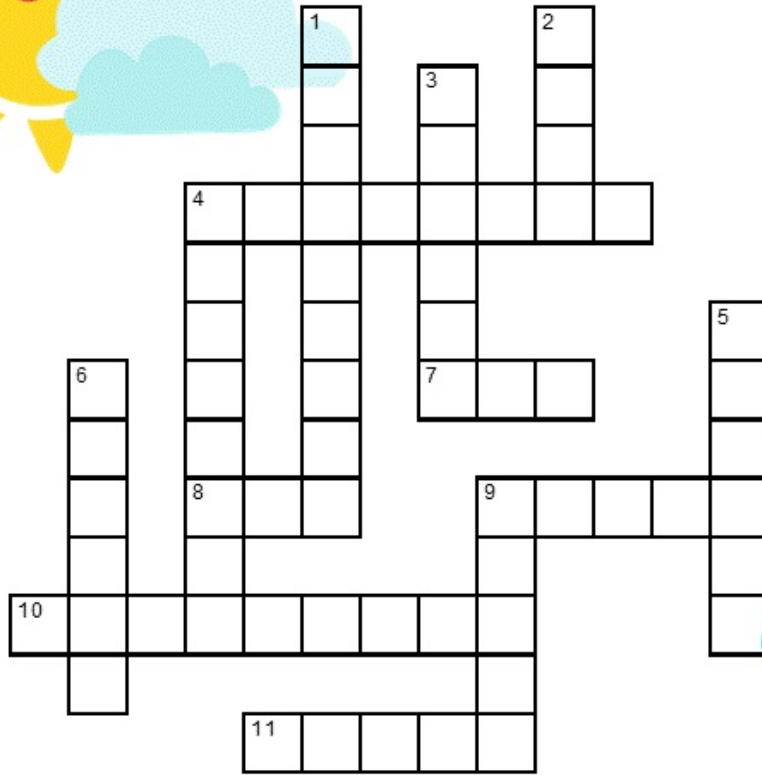
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Easter  
Egg Hunt  
Eggs  
Family  
Flowers  
Grass  
Happy  
Jellybeans

Lily  
Parade  
Peeps  
Rabbit  
Spring  
Sunday  
Tradition  
Tulips





# Easter Crossword



## ACROSS

- 4. You might do this to eggs for Easter
- 7. A hen makes this
- 8. Used to color eggs
- 9. The hen's baby
- 10. Colorful candy you might find in an Easter basket
- 11. Peter Cottontail is one

## DOWN

- 1. Eggs might be made from this
- 2. Look for eggs
- 3. Easter Day event
- 4. Yellow or white spring flower that grows from a bulb
- 5. What the Easter Bunny brings
- 6. A pretty hat worn on Easter
- 9. Don't eat too much of this or you might get a belly ache

