

# INTERIM NEWSLETTER

It's that time of year again when the nights are drawing in and the bad weather is on its way. At Tupwood we are proud of the attitude of our staff in battling through to work and overcoming whatever the weather throws at us. So lets hope that this year will be kind to us all.

We are pleased to inform you that on the 30th June, Jenny, Yvonne and Jane attended the Gold Standards Framework ceremony to receive our plaque in recognition achieving their very high standards. As you are all aware this has been two years of very hard work and finally we can close this chapter. However the fight to always improve our care goes on. We are the only nursing home in the area to have completed the GSF so far, and we are immensely proud of this fact.

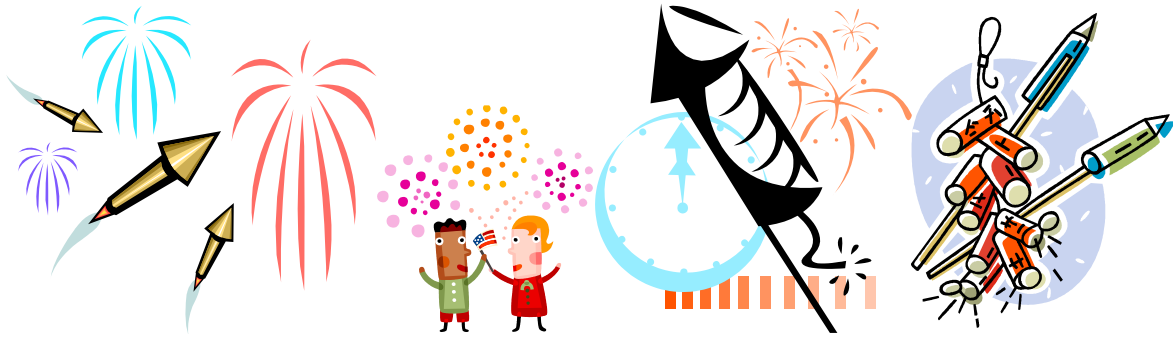
Over the summer months Arnel played games in the garden with the residents obviously weather permitting. A few residents attended the Woldingham School Summer Party which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Woldingham School has also kindly agreed to hold a Christmas Party at Tupwood on 8th December at 4pm. This is a first for Tupwood and there will be singing and refreshments, all are welcome.

On Saturday the 29th October we held one of our Social afternoons, which was a great success with lots of positive feedback. We really appreciate the residents families taking the time to make the afternoon such a success. It means a lot to the staff who also give their own time to this event.

The staff at Tupwood are performing a Christmas Pantomime this year, it will be Cinderella and will be held on the 8th December at 3pm. (Oh no they're not! *Oh yes they are!*) You are all welcome to come and enjoy the fun. It promises to be a right pantomime!

The resident's Christmas Day at Tupwood will be different this year. We have decided not to have a Christmas dinner in advance of the day, but that Carole will provide this on the 25th December. Instead we will be holding a lunch buffet for residents and their families who wish to stay for the day, on the 17th December. As usual we will start the day with a church service at 11am followed by mince pies and sherry. The buffet lunch will be followed by an entertainer. Unfortunately we have to limit the number of guests due to the shortage of space and we enclose a return slip for your use. We hope that you will be able to come and let's hope that the weather does not interfere with our festivities.

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## Some dates for your diary

**These dates are in addition to all the weekly activities that are already taking place.**

**8th November 2pm-3pm-** Chers fashions will be back, so feel free to come up and have a browse

**10th November 3.45** – One of our young neighbours, Katy Miller is going to come along to sing some favourite songs. We are really looking forward to this and thank you Katy for showing us that young people are still willing to give back to the community.

**14th November 2pm-** Remembrance Day Celebration - All are welcome to celebrate and remember those who sadly passed away over the last year.

**24th November 2pm-3pm** - Richard Ratcliffe will be here in the afternoon singing songs by Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole to name but a few. He will also entertain us with a little of his own material.

**30th November 3.45pm** – Woldingham School Christmas Party – how wonderful that we will be blessed with more young people sharing their talents.

**8th December 3pm**– The Staff Christmas Pantomime – Cinderella – if you want a laugh do come along.

**17th December** - TUPWOOD GATE'S CHRISTMAS PARTY. Come and celebrate the festivities with your loved ones and us. We will be starting the day at 11am with our church service followed by a glass of sherry and a mince pie. There will be a lunch buffet and in the afternoon we will be entertained by a well loved friend of Tupwood Richard Ratcliffe who will be singing some favourite songs. Please come and join in the fun.

**23rd December 2pm-3pm** – Shona's daughter Tina will be playing Pipa on the Chinese lute. Yet another youngster with a lot of talent.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE SO GIVING OF THEIR TIME AND ENERGIES.**

We could be adding to this list so please keep your eyes on the notice board