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## **Staff Update**

We are pleased to welcome Lisa Richards to Hertsmere Mencap, Lisa is *our new Activities Coordinator.* 

Lisa has a diverse background in Education and Social Care.

Lisa said "I am really looking forward to meeting the members and providing activities, that can be easily accessed and enjoyed by all"

Welcome to Hertsmere Mencap, Lisa!

### **Rumble Awards**

Huge congratulations to Jason Gunn and Neil Hoskins on receiving a "Rumble Award". The Rumble Awards are an annual award ceremony recognising the "Personalities of the Year in Hertfordshire". Jason was awarded the "Brave Heart" Award and Neil was awarded the "Special" award for his commitment to the Rumble Awards over many years. This year's theme was DISCO.



# **Daily Activities**

This month at *Arts & Crafts* we created handy key racks to take home, we enjoyed ceramic painting and designed pictures using cotton buds and recycled linen materials.



The highlight of *Jubilee Club* this month was "Jubilee's Got Talent" and what a great performance by Joe Cannon - well done Joe . We also enjoyed a Logo Quiz and a music and movement session with Angie. A big thank you to our volunteer, Estelle who made brownies with us. We are getting excited for our Platinum Jubilee "Royal Tea" Party on the 7th June from 6.30-9pm.







Beverley and Dan from Borehamwood's JobCentre, came along to **Coffee Morning** to talk to us about JobCentrePlus. It was interesting to hear what is on offer and how we can access their services.

We also celebrated Neil's "special" birthday in our usual Hertsmere Mencap way - Happy Birthday, Neil!



It was all about positive energy and good vibes at this month's **Dance Aerobics.** We danced and sang along to songs from our favourite Musicals, Reggae tunes and Ibiza vibes









Our Summer Scheme will be running from 27th July to 23rd August (inclusive).

If you would like to register your child for the Summer playscheme, please contact our Coordinator Hayley Bentley for further details (see below).

We are also recruiting Play Assistants and volunteers for our Summer playscheme. For further information, please contact:

Hayley Bentley on 07861 891706 Email: noahs.ark@hertsmeremencap.org.uk

## Mencap's Learning Disability Survey 2022

Mencap would like to invite people with a learning disability to take part in their 2022 national survey.

This survey was fully co-produced by people with a learning disability and asks questions

on topics they say are important to them, including healthcare, discrimination, mental health, and money and support.

Mencap hopes that the findings will help us all to provide better support to people with a learning disability.

Take part <u>here</u> and help us to make this the biggest annual survey of people with a learning disability ever.



## Hertsmere Mencap News

Congratulations to members, Michelle Hunt and Adrian Baggott on their recent engagement. We wish you a lifetime of happiness together.

### Sad News

#### EILEEN WICKS

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of Eileen Wicks.

In 1977, Eileen was one of the founders of our Jubilee Club - still running today, of course - and was a stalwart volunteer there, going every single week till only a few years ago.

She was much loved by us all; always cheerful and kind, she will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by everyone at Hertsmere Mencap.

#### **ELSIE ANG GEORGE HOARE**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Georgie and Elsie (Georgie's mother) Hoare, who passed away within weeks of each other.

The Hoare family has been involved with Mencap for over forty years, with Elsie coming along to many of our Christmas parties and many seaside trips over the years.

Georgie used to love coming to our Holding Hands Club and participated in a few of our musicals. "Georgie was one of the nicest people you could meet, a truly lovely person" said Tony, Hertsmere Mencap's Vice Chair.

Many of our members have fond memories of Georgie, "Georgie was always a smiler, he was never sad", said Neil, Hertsmere Mencap's Deputy Liaison Officer.

Our thoughts are with the Hoare family and we send them much love and strength.

### **Borehamwood Fuel Bank**

Borehamwood Fuel Bank are resuming their Fuel Voucher scheme, between 01/06/22 - 23/07/22.

Fuel support is designed to help with the costs of gas and electricity and it consists of two different vouchers:

- \* £28 for small households up to three people:
- \* £49 for large households of 4 or more people.

If anyone you know would benefit from a fuel voucher, please send an email to <u>fuelbank@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk</u> with the name and telephone number of the applicant. Please let them know that they will be contacted directly to fill a short form to determine with them which kind of help is best suited

Any queries please contact the Foodbank on tel.0203 358 1109.

June 2022 Borehamwood, WD6						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Coffee Morning 10-11.30am Drama session with Catherine	2 PLATINUM JUBILEE BANK HOL	3 BANK HOL NO DANCE AEROBICS	4
5	6 NO ART	7 Jubilee Club's Platinum Jubilee Party!! 6.30-9.00pm	8 Coffee Morning 10-11.30am	9	10 Dance Aerobics 10.00 -11.00am	11
12	13 Art 10-11.30am	14 Jubilee Club 7-9.00pm	14 Coffee Morning 10-11.30am	15	16 No Dance Aerobics	17
18	19 Art 10-11.30am	20 Jubilee Club 7-9.00pm	21 Coffee Morning 10-11.30am	22	23 Dance Aerobics 10.00-11.00am	24
25	26 Art 10-11.30am	27 Jubilee Club 7-9.00pm	28 Coffee Morning 10-11.30am	29	30 Dance Aerobics 10.00-11.00am	

#### **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 1st June Come along to Coffee Morning for another fun and interactive Drama session with Catherine

#### **Thursday 2nd June**

Come along to the Beacon Lighting on Woodcock Hill Village Green and join MP Oliver Dowden, The Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire and the new Town Mayor Cllr Sandra Parnell.

George MacGregor will be playing a specially commissioned piece to be played by 1000 pipers across the UK and Commonwealth. Amongst the entertainers will be Borehamwood Brass

2nd June - 6th June

Elstree and Borehamwood is celebrating 40 years of working with our twin Towns of Fontenay in France and Offenburg in Germany,

The Mayors of both Towns will be visiting the Town from 2nd June to 6th June to join the dual celebrations.

Friday 3rd June No Dance Aerobics session (Fairway Hall closed)

Sunday June 5th Come along to Party In the Park to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee, from 12-5pm in Meadow Park. Bring your own picnic and chairs.

Monday 6th June No Arts & Crafts session (Fairway Hall closed)

Tuesday 7th June Celebrate HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the *Jubilee Club* 

27th July to 23rd August (inclusive) Noah's Ark Summer Playscheme

Sunday 11th December Hertsmere Mencap's 2022 Christmas party

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