



NEWSROUND JANUARY 2021

Happy New Year to our almshouse residents.

What a difficult year 2020 has been. We are so thankful that we have not lost anyone to this horrible virus and we are immensely proud of our staff who have kept everyone safe. Thank you for your prayers! We had hoped that by now we would be able to start to relax but the virus is still causing concern in the local area.

As always we will do what we can to ensure that you are all kept safe and have everything you need.

VACCINATION: Almshouse residents should be receiving invitation from their own GP to get the vaccination - a few have already had it. Care home residents and staff should be receiving their vaccinations next week from 4th January BUT we must continue to be careful until we have had the second booster injection at the end of January. We are unable to add almshouse residents to our care home list for vaccinations so please do not ask.

A big **THANK YOU** from all the staff for the lovely gifts and edible goodies that we received over Christmas. It is so very kind of you and we all feel very spoilt! It is not possible to write thank you letters to everyone so please accept this as our thank you to you. Thank you too for cash donations instead of Christmas cards for the children in Uganda Africa – these amounted to £75.

STAFF: Thelma our Activities Coordinator has suffered quite badly with Covid but hopes to be back with us part time next week. She is due to retire in February and it would be lovely if she is fully well by then. Tracey Milsom (Carer) has moved to another job working her last shift with us on Boxing Day. We wish her well in her new role. We welcome Louise and Christine to the care team and interviews are underway for new staff.

Karen Stirrups (Kitchen Assistant) has had her hip operation and should be back with us in January. Once we've all been vaccinated, we should also be able to welcome back Donna and Mandy and Kim whose health conditions mean they have not been able to work in Yoakley House for most of this year.