

## Wishing you all a very Happy Easter!

We know that all our Service Users are looking forward to indulging in many mouth-watering chocolate treats! Now that the clocks have moved forward and the days are getting longer it is wonderful to see them enjoying their activities and spending more time out and about in the community. Jo Roberts took the lead supporting role creating the Spring/Easter collage pictured above at Bath Road. She involved all the residents with the project and they really enjoyed doing it.



Ted has struggled with both his mental and physical health since last summer, he has been in and out of various hospitals and care homes. In September of last year Ted went into Latimer Court care home and since then he has made tremendous progress both physically and mentally.

He has even been able to have an overnight visit home to stay with his beloved wife Roma, who is also the co-founder of the Broad Group. Roma has been amazing! She visited Ted at the care home every single day without fail and has kept the Broadbent family up to date with Ted's condition. We are all immensely proud of both Roma and Ted!



## Ted and Roma



We thought it would be good to update everyone involved with the Broad Group about Ted Broadbent. As one of the founding members of the organisation, Ted is very close to our hearts and he has gone through a very difficult period over the last 12 months.

Micah is doing his bit to support the family. He loves visiting Ted at the care home and he keeps granny Roma company at home. When he's at the care home he happily engages with other residents and it is evident that this interaction brightens up their day! Well done, Micha.

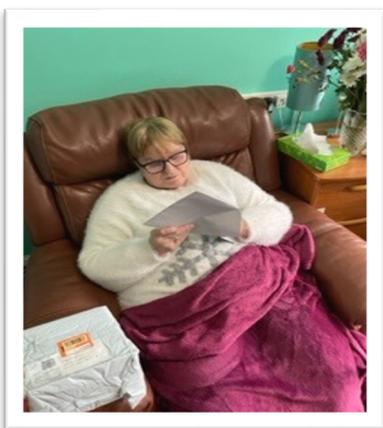


# The Outlook Project

## Birthday Celebrations

Here at the Outlook Project, we had three birthday celebrations since the last Newsletter - Leo, Andrea and Angela. Leo was the first to celebrate his birthday, he kept to his routine and spent the day working with Ben. When he got home, he got some lovely presents and staff and friends joined in the celebrations. We were all so impressed as he'd baked a delicious chocolate cake for us all to enjoy.

Then it was Andreas turn, she took it very easy and had a very relaxing day chilling out with her friends and she really enjoyed being the centre of attention. We got together in the afternoon to wish her a happy birthday and enjoyed more cake!



Angela turned 71 in January, unfortunately she had a nasty bug on the day, and she had to isolate in her room for her birthday. We were all thinking about her and a few days later when she was feeling better, we made the most of it and she was able to open her cards and presents and celebrate with friends and staff.

## Day Out for the Boys

Kevin took Leo and Sam for a day out at Mr Mulligans Miniature Golf Course. Masked up they ventured on to the 18-hole golf course to start the competition! Along the way an alien popped out to say hello, the alien was probably wondering why three grown men were playing on a miniature golf course!! Although at times the game was competitive there was a lot of friendly banter as they manoeuvred their way along the course. Sam putted steadily along and won the game. Leo thoroughly enjoyed the experience and comradery, and a fun day was had by all.



As part of our Domiciliary Care service with Sam, we get to organise and find some amazing fun activities that gets Sam out and about in the community. In February Kevin took Sam to see the Solihull Barons Ice Hockey. Sam really enjoyed it and is an absolute fan, he even bought a hat to show his support for the team and they have been back a couple of times since. This has ignited interest with other staff members and Brett is taking his son to one of the matches.



## 85 Bath Road

### Birthday Celebrations

Recently both Michael and Danny celebrated their birthdays. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and it certainly made up for last year when they were unable to have a proper celebration due to lockdown. Both were able to spend time with their families and when they returned to Bath Road the celebrations continued.

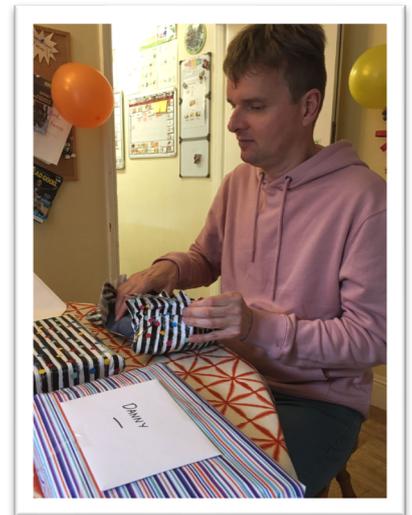


Michael's birthday was towards the end March, he went home to see his family for the weekend, they went to the theatre and had a lovely meal out. When he returned to Bath Road, he was beaming with excitement as he knew that there were more celebrations to follow. We had some cake and he wanted to have pizza for dinner, so we ordered some pizza from Dominos for everyone to enjoy.

Danny went home the weekend before his birthday to celebrate with his family. As we know Danny loves celebrations especially birthdays and when it

is his it's even better!! He had a fantastic time, they really spoil him.

He was back at Bath Road for his actual birthday, the team and residents gave him lots of presents and put on a spread of party food for all to enjoy. The spread included burgers ..... his absolute favourite food, he was so happy with it and of course having more cake and presents to open - what's not to enjoy!



### Volunteering in the Community



Danny likes places to be neat and tidy so we thought it would be a good idea to get him involved with a community project. Dan looked into it and found out about volunteers to collect litter in our local park.

Dan organised the equipment and got him a litter picker and gloves - he was all set up and ready to go! Danny really enjoys doing it although you might not think so from the photo! He didn't want to smile; he was tired after a hard afternoon at work. On his first trip he came back with two black bin liners full of rubbish. The volunteering gets him out and about doing his bit working in the community and he is really helping to keep our beautiful green spaces neat and tidy.

**WELL DONE DANNY, YOU ARE DOING AN AMAZING JOB!**

## Theatre Trip and Workshop

Both Outlook and Bath Road Service Users enjoyed an evening at the Swan Theatre in Worcester at the beginning of February. Kirsty booked 25 tickets before Christmas for all to go and see the 'Dead Good' production by Vamos.

'Dead Good' is accessible to deaf and hard of hearing audiences without BSL interpretation. The production was originally commissioned by London International Mime Festival and when it came to Worcester, we thought that our Service Users would really enjoy it - and they did!

It was a very funny and poignant show about celebrating friendship - and the importance of living every precious day to the full. It was performed entirely without words.

The story line about two friends Bob and Bernard, they don't have that much in common. But after a chance meeting at their weekly hospice group, they realised they share one ambition - to do some serious living before they die. So, with a bottle of Bollinger and the keys to Bernard's Bentley in hand, they hit the road, and take on one final, death-defying adventure.

Everyone really enjoyed the show and Kirsty thought it would be a good idea to arrange a Vamos Workshop for both sets of Service Users at the Rainbow Hill Centre. This happened at the beginning of March and was well received by both Service Users and Staff. They learned some acting techniques and had such fun taking part. It was also a great opportunity for both services to come together and interact with each other in a fun environment.

They are all looking very different in the photos don't you think - can you recognise any of them from the photos!

