



The Downes Care Home, Foundry Hill, Hayle, Cornwall, TR27 4HW

# Newsletter

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## Welcome

Welcome to the quarterly newsletter for The Downes Care Home. The newsletter is for the benefit of Residents, families and staff. We hope you enjoy reading it. It is also published on our website at [www.thedowneshayle.com](http://www.thedowneshayle.com)

## Website Relaunch

Going into 2020 we have decided to re-design our website. Please go to [www.thedowneshayle.com](http://www.thedowneshayle.com) to take a look. Let us know your thoughts.



## CQC Inspection

On 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 were inspected by CQC over 2 days. We are pleased to announce that we were rated Good. If you would like to read a copy of the report it is available on our website [www.thedowneshayle.com](http://www.thedowneshayle.com)

## Christmas 2019

Our residents thoroughly enjoyed the festivities over the Christmas period. We were lucky enough to be invited to St Pirans School for our residents to watch their Christmas Nativity Play. We also had visits from both St Pirans School and Penpol School for a special christmas concert. Elf on the Shelf returned for a second year which caused a lot of entertainment with the residents. Santa visited each and every resident at Christmas and delivered a sack full of presents to everyone from the home. Our residents were able to get out and about for trips to see the famous Christmas lights at Mousehole and Angarrack.



## Staff of the Quarter

Staff, Residents, Relatives, and Friends have been voting for the last couple of months for Staff of The Quarter. The winner of Staff of The Quarter is Amanda Carder. Amanda joined The Downes in July 2019 as a Care Assistant. Amanda is an exceptional member of staff who is always willing to go the extra mile.

You can start voting for the next Staff of Quarter now!



## Millie and Maddie turn 1

At the beginning of February Millie and Maddie had their 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. The girls continue to bounce around the gardens and enjoy the company of all.



## Love is in the Air

The Clients have been busy making arts and crafts over the last few weeks to create a Valentine's Day display.



## Tell us your views

There is still time to submit your reviews of our home to [www.carehome.co.uk](http://www.carehome.co.uk)



## Upcoming Events

We have the following events to look forward to in the coming weeks including: Pancake Day, Sport Relief and Mother's Day.

As part of Sport Relief, our staff here at The Downes will be taking on a 24hr Cycle challenge.

## The Downes Spring Garden Project

With Spring just around the corner, our residents will be starting to get out in the garden and be involved in some gardening activities. We now have a designated area in the walled kitchen garden where we will be able to put in raised beds for the residents to access. We have purchased a new shed in readiness for the project. If anyone knows of a greenhouse that could be used or if anyone has any gardening tools that they wish to donate to the home it would be greatly appreciated.

