

What's going
on at
Douglas
Drive?...

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Welcome to Issue 6 of our Douglas Drive Newsletter.

*Come said the leaves to the wind one day,
come o'er the meadows and we will play.
Put on your dresses, scarlet and gold
for summer is gone and the days grow cold.*

-George Eliot-

Autumn already... where has the summer gone? It's turned a bit nippy however, we have still had some beautiful sunny days and hopefully will have more to come.

We have had a busy time since our last newsletter. Committee meeting, planning meetings and a staff meeting with these lovely people.



Grace



Diane



Sandra



Mike

It was a very productive time planning how we can deliver the service we provide at Douglas Drive whilst making sure we keep everyone safe and well.

It was also lovely to speak with our clients and a joy to hear the excitement as we shared our plans to re-open Douglas Drive on Monday 5th October.

Unfortunately, since this decision, the Covid-19 situation has now escalated and new guidelines and restrictions implemented mean that we will be unable to return on this date as planned.

We are really disappointed about this as we were so looking forward to seeing you all again.

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We shall continue to stay in touch and try and arrange a doorstep visit if that is something that you would be interested in (we won't come empty handed!)

In the meantime, please remember you can call us at any time. If we are not here you can leave a message and we will contact you as soon as possible,

Stay safe and warm



Rose




Karin



We have received information from Stevenage Community Trust about heating grants available to help people, on low incomes, to keep warm during the coming winter months.

If you are on a low income and struggling with heating bills, please do phone us for a chat. If we are not in the office, please leave a message on the answerphone and we will call you back as soon as possible.

 Douglas Drive – 01438 357227

Useful Contact Numbers

- **NHS Advice – 111** www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19
- **Herts Help - 0300 123 4044** - www.hertshelp.net
Need help and don't know where to turn? Have a question or problem? We can help.
- **The Silverline Helpline – 0800 4 70 80 90** www.thesilverline.org.uk
Helpline for older people
- **Stevenage Helps Community Response Team – 01438 242452**
Struggling without support during this difficult time? Call us for help with organising food supplies, accessing essential services and assistance in other ways i.e. posting mail, telephone support.
- **Douglas Drive Day Centre – 01438 357227** www.douglasdrive.co.uk
You can always call us. We regularly check the answer phone so please leave a message and we'll get back to you as soon as we can. If we can't help, we'll find someone who can.



*Autumn, the year's last,
loveliest smile*

-William Cullen Bryant-

All these autumn words can be found in this word search

Upwards, downwards or backwards.



ACORN
APPLE
AUTUMN
CHESTNUT
CHILLY

CONKERS
HARVEST
HAYSTACK
LEAVES
NOVEMBER

OCTOBER
PINECONE
PUMPKIN
SEPTEMBER

A popular activity in our groups, and a way to while away those darker evenings...
How many words (3 letters or more) can you make using the letters in the words

'Douglas Drive'

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