

Love - Care - Freedom - Opportunity



As the vibrant hues of daffodils and crocuses paint the landscape, we joyfully usher in the season of renewal and growth.

For the past 25 years, our community has been a nurturing haven, embracing the beauty and resilience of each of our residents.

In this newsletter we continue to commemorate countless moments of triumph, joy, and connection that have defined our legacy. From the first bloom of spring to the present, we've cultivated an environment where 'more from life' is not just a motto but a heartfelt commitment to fostering happiness, growth, and fulfilment. As we honour the past, we eagerly anticipate the countless possibilities that lie ahead, confident that the seeds of compassion we've sown will continue to flourish.

## February Fun!

There was lots to celebrate in February.

Love was certainly in the air this **Valentine's Day** as Ciaran and Amy enjoyed a Valentine meal at Fuego Lounge in Lewes.

The residents loved making pancakes to celebrate **Shrove Tuesday**, James loves using the mixer and Chloe was in her element using the switch to turn it on and off. Chocolate sauce seemed to be the most popular filling amongst both staff and residents.

Holly helped us all learn about the traditions of **Chinese New Year**. This year is the Year of the Dragon and we learned about how the Chinese zodiac signs came to be and about the dragon dances that happen in cities all around the world.

Ciaran, Amy and Simon continue to go to **Chailey gym** and the benefits are really showing. The residents are getting stronger and stronger and are all building on their range of movement.

Finally after 20 months of waiting, Chloe won the **Bevern View Bowling Championship!**

There were lots of surprises in store for Simon and James as they both went to see **The Tiger Who Came To Tea** at the theatre. They joined the tea-guzzling tiger in a show that was packed with oodles of magic, sing-a-long songs and clumsy chaos!

It wasn't the trains that Amy, Chloe and Jonathan were interested in when they went to the **Bluebell Railway** this month - ice skating was on the agenda! It was Jonathan who had a need for speed and loved whizzing around the rink with Maciek.

JP undertook some research on the streets of Lewes as the Bevern Trust **roving reporter**. He was investigating what people thought was the perfect lounge. There were many suggestions about what people wanted from comfy sofas, adjustable lighting, huge televisions, a fireplace and even a hot tub - there was good reason for this trip which will be revealed in time!

We have continued to look back over the past 25 years this month with a massive **memory lane photo display** in the lounge. The photos range from when Bevern View was being built, coming right up to the present day. Amy and Saleem love looking at photos around the home and have been in their element and everyone loved seeing a young JP and Paul.



## Auction Prizes!

We're delighted to say that our **Gala Evening Dinner & Auction**, celebrating 25 years of the outstanding care and love shown at Bevern View, is now sold out!

Our **auction** is packed with exciting gifts, vouchers and experiences, so generously donated by our supporters, wonderful friends of the Bevern Trust, and local businesses.

Don't worry though if you're unable to attend and would still like to place a bid on any of the items - email [info@beverntrust.org](mailto:info@beverntrust.org) and we will send you the list to place a best and final bid before Thursday 7th March. Here's a selection of some of our prizes:

**Four tickets to the First Night of the Proms on Friday 19th July 2024**  
**Two tickets to the final rehearsal of Carmen on Monday 13th May at Glyndebourne**

**Two tickets to see Taylor Swift on 22nd June 2024 at Wembley**  
**A week's stay in a holiday home near the charming village of Dervaig on the Isle of Mull, off the west coast of Scotland**

**A box for 5 people at the opening night of one of English National Opera productions for the 24/25 season**

**Man City shirt signed by footballing legend Gareth Barry**  
**Four tickets to Chelsea Vs West Ham game on the 4th May 2024**

**Wild Mushroom foraging course for one in Kent with John Wright, River Cottage inc. 3 course lunch & afternoon tea, 12th or 13th October 2024**

**A framed boot and photos with Paul Gascoigne and Alan Shearer signatures**  
**And much, much more!**

Thank you so much for supporting us in this key fundraising event of 2024.

## Enjoy our Easter Hampers!

Our fabulous Easter Hamper raffle is back with two chances to win! Enter our raffle at only £1 per ticket for the opportunity to win one of two spectacular Easter Hampers.

Packed full of delicious treats, our fabulous hampers of inviting food and drink are sure to delight your tastebuds!

Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary fundraising will go towards the continuation of the resident's educational programme, activities and vital therapies.

**Entries close at 10am on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024.**  
**The winning tickets will be drawn on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024 with our residents and staff cheering on. The winners will each be able to collect their hampers from Bevern View from the time of the draw.**



[Buy Your tickets now!](#)

## Diary Dates

**Sunday 7th April:** our marathon runner, Harvey H has been training hard for the Brighton Marathon. We'll be there to cheer him on, along with the amazing drummers from Skulldrummy who are also fundraising for us! We'd love you to show your support on Harvey's donation page at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/hbr Brighton2024>

**Saturday 20th April:** we're hoping for beautiful sunshine to complement the beautiful gardens of Banks Farm. Come and have a relaxing walk around the grounds and enjoy homemade tea and cakes. 10am-4pm, tickets £7 per person with accompanying children under 16 free.

**Friday 21st June:** an evening at the beautiful historical Hamsey House where we will celebrate the Summer Solstice. Further details of this special event to follow.

**7th, 8th, 21st & 22nd September:** We will be providing homemade refreshments at Hamsey House for the fabulous Art Wave event.

## Happy Birthday

Paul turned 45 this month and celebrated with a pool party with JP. They also went out for dinner and as you can see, Paul was very happy with his pudding!



## Personal Challenges

There's still plenty of time to take on a new challenge! Please do get in touch if you'd be interested in setting yourself a Personal Challenge during 2024 - it can be as active as you like, or simply challenging yourself to learn a new skill, face a fear or try something you've never done. Email Kirsty

at [kirsty.baker@beverntrust.org](mailto:kirsty.baker@beverntrust.org) discuss any ideas or how we can support you.

## Easyfundraising is so easy!

Don't forget the opportunity to support The Bevern Trust whilst shopping in your usual online stores. Thank you to everyone who has signed up this month!

Signing up is easy - just

visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thebeverntrust/> and join for free. There are no catches or hidden charges and The Bevern Trust will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.

## SUPPORT US MONTHLY

We would love to hear from you if you would like to become involved in supporting our dynamic and life-changing work on a regular basis through monthly giving in our **25th Anniversary year**. We really appreciate all your support, and this monthly giving helps us to make plans for the care we provide.

Click on the **Donate now** button to set up a regular monthly gift or to make a one off donation to The Bevern Trust in 2024.

Do follow us on our social media pages - all links below - for regular films, photos and updates on Bevern View life and memories from activities over the years.

We hope you've enjoyed reading our update. We'd love to hear your comments and feedback on any of the above.

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