

Style Acre

Creating opportunities



Newsletter

Autumn/Winter 2006

A chance to get to know a member of staff a bit better...

We caught up with Sharon Milbank to ask her a few questions...

When's the baby due and do you know yet whether it's going to be a boy or a girl?

It's due on the 14th of January and at the moment we don't know whether we're having a boy or girl, we want it to be a big surprise!

How long are you going to be away for?

I finish on the 8th of December and at the moment I'm not sure about when I'm coming back but everyone can be reassured that I am coming back!

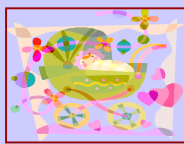
Have you thought of any names yet?

If it's a boy we've thought of Henry Stephen and if it's a girl Isabella Francesca.

Do you have any other children? How do they feel about the new baby?

I have a seven year old daughter called Georgia and she's really excited about becoming a big sister! She asked for a little brother or sister before we knew about the baby! We've nick named the baby 'little Fewie' for the time being!

We of course wish Sharon and her family all the best!



Hello everyone. I thought you would like to know what we have been up to this year:

- We have started supporting a man who lives with his mother in Oxford and this has opened up a new area for us.
- We have welcomed a new lady to Chalmore cottage and are pleased that she is settling in so well.
- We have welcomed Jenny Long as our wishes and dreams co-ordinator and have also welcomed Barry Perkins as our volunteer co-ordinator and Ann McBain as our Day Opportunities Manager. We hope they will all be very happy working with us.
- We have said a sad farewell to Bev Segesdy who has gone on her travels around the world but we are pleased to receive regular e mails from her on her travels.
- We have also some very sad news to give people. A number of people we support and family members have sadly died over recent months. These are:

Don Wellstood- father to Audrey

Cyril Ward- father to Cheryl

Charlie Preston- brother to Dorothy

Dorothy Preston- aged 86 years

Francis Burt- aged 90 years

Our thoughts are with the families and friends of these people as well as with the staff team at Datchet Green who cared so well for Dorothy and Francis in their later years.

Christmas will soon be upon us and I hope to meet as many family and friends of the people we support at our Christmas party on 9th December.

With warm wishes,
Kate Liddle

An update from Turnstyle. . .

Turnstyle has been going from strength to strength this year! There has been a lot of change, we have said goodbye to several members of the staff team and welcomed some new! We wish Lol all the best as he moves back up North and welcome Anne-Marie as our new team leader. We also welcome Ann McBain as Turnstyle's new manager.

We have had our annual inspection from Oxfordshire County Council which went well and we have another glowing report!

Our holiday to Butlins in Minehead, 2006

By Susan Riglen, Alex Morrow and Fiona McClurking

We decided to go to Butlins in Minehead again this year. We went to the 60's experience and saw lots of live entertainment such as Gerry and the Pacemakers.

Fiona loved going on the rides at the fair every morning, especially the dodgem cars and also going shopping in Minehead.

Alex especially enjoyed the evening entertainment in centre stage, so much so that he was reluctant to leave on the first night when they closed at midnight!

Susie liked going to Jaks nightclub best and enjoyed the wine and dancing every night!

All of us are looking forward to next year's holiday!



My holidays by Rebecca Adams . . .

This year I went to Newquay in Cornwall with Anne Marie. We stayed in a very nice hotel near the beach. We went for walks on the beach and we went to different restaurants. I liked looking at all the surfers!



Then later in the year I went to Butlins in Minehead with Peter, Chris, Becky, Tracey, Laura, and Becky! I was in a chalet with Laura and Tracey. We had buffet meals, I liked the main courses but I didn't like the puddings! I went horse riding, I went to the pub and I went swimming too! My favourite bit was watching the entertainment, they were funny!



What's on . . .

24th November: Fir Tree school (in Radnor Road) Christmas fair from 6pm to 8.30pm

25th November: United Charities Bazaar, Town Hall.

4th December: Northbourne Club Christmas Party, 7.30pm at the Towers Country Club, Didcot.

9th December: Style Acre Christmas Party, 7.30 pm at the Towers Country Club, Didcot.

10th December: Annual Roke and Benson Brass Band Christmas concert is taking place in Benson Parish Hall at 7pm. Tickets are available from local shops in Benson and the flower studio in Wallingford.

11th December: Carols at Didcot Baptist Church, 7pm.

13th December: Annual Town Carol Concert, 7.15pm at Didcot Civic Hall.

13th December: Town Carols in the market place, Wallingford at 7pm.

14th December: Annual Town Carol Concert, 7.15pm at Didcot Civic Hall.

16th December: Carol concert at Dorchester Abbey, 7pm.