Lifeline Support Service

Day Centre Family Meeting

Location: Carlton In Lindrick Day Centre

Date: 22.7.25

Attendees:

Lesley, Amy, Gemma, Sam

CC, SM, TB, EH, KH, NK, PM

David, Jackie

Topics:

- 1) Meals,
- 2) Activities,
- 3) Fundraising
- 4) Betty's donation
- 5) Family meeting venues.

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Lesley asked for everyone's opinions on the new meals. KH said the quality seems much better than the previous supplier, which a better taste. Jacket potatoes have been a success with several people choosing them regularly. It was agreed they would remain a permanent choice on the menu.

Everyone at the meeting had the choice of meal types and preferences to influence the next menu which will run from August to October at both Centre's.

The group has chosen the following menu options for August to October – fish pie, chicken casserole, liver and bacon with mash and it was agreed by the majority that lasagne remain on the next menu. Jacket potatoes with a weekly filling will continue.

There will be one final week of the current menu before the new meal choices are available to choose.

Amy was introduced and welcomed as the new Activities Coordinator for both Centre venues. She has been responsible, with Lesley, for finalising the activities timetable.

We spoke about looking for a downloadable calendar for UK 'special / celebration days'. This can be used to help guide the themes of our weekly sessions. Lesley will look into this.

The group reviewed the activities offered over the past 3 month period. The 1980's theme day was a popular day and other theme days are to be looked at for the future. Suggestions made today included Hawaiian Day, Western Day, Beach Day.

Christmas party arrangements are to be made and entertainers sourced. There will be a Christmas party for families at each Day Centre venue in December. Details to follow and to be discussed at our October meeting.

Activity ideas brought forward by the group today included:

Movie day with the new projector – popcorn at the interval. Film / entertainment suggestions made by the group included Miracle on 34th street, calamity jane, Morcombe and wise, last of the summer wine, dad's army.

It was agreed that the new activities timetable was a great benefit to the Centre's.

Our tallest sunflower competition is to be judged w/c 18th august with the winner receiving a trophy. Families are requested to send in photos and measurements for their sunflowers.

Ideas for other entertainers discussed in the group, favourite options included a ventriloquist, dog show / entertainers.

Musical themed sessions also discussed with the group suggesting table drumming (noodles?) bell ringing, musical statues.

Lesley is also looking into sourcing a train set for our train enthusiasts.

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We revisited possible fundraising ideas. Suggestions included a Lifeline stall at fayres (bric a brac, etc), raffles, tombola.

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Betty's family have kindly made a donation to the Day Centre service following a collection at her funeral service. The donation total was £121. Ideas for spending the money for day centre equipment in Betty's memory was discussed. A projector is to be ordered to enable film club, big screen quizzes, etc to be added to our activities timetable. This will ensure our centres and families benefit from Betty's legacy.

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The venue of our family meetings will continue to rotate between Carlton and Retford now that we have two Centre's. This will enable families from both Centre's to have the opportunity to attend and contribute.

Next Meeting:

1030am Friday 24th October at Retford. Invitations will be sent out via poster, text message and face to face.