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Partnership Support for remote working

The sunshine continues, it brightens my day just looking out the window at it.

Good news

You can go on a virtual tour of the Louvre. Just visit www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne.

Doctors in America have attached photographs of themselves to their uniform so when they are treating people in masks, gloves etc their patient knows who is treating them.

How can you help?

SCCCC are continuing to support people to come out of hospital as quickly as possible through their hospital to home, work. They don't have all the equipment they need to do this though and you can help by supporting their amazon wish list found at:

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1VUI0B31EKOJN>

Your Questions answered

Should we be reaching out to care homes who normally attend our memory cafes?

The short answer to this is yes, if you can.

I am looking into working with care homes at a strategic level so they can take part in any online content that you guys create in order to support and engage with residents remotely.

To add to this if you reach out to care homes who usually attend your memory cafes to invite them to your online content this would help to be involved at a local level particularly with any music/ chair aerobics or other engagement.

Be aware though that care homes will be really busy in supporting their residents at this time and managing staff illness, so it is important to be mindful of this. When ringing, make sure you ask the staff members you talk to how they are, giving them space to talk will be important.

Technology might also be a barrier especially as the set-up time initially might be quite intensive. So be prepared with clear instructions and support to ease this as much as possible.

I am happy to contact particular care homes on your behalf if this is helpful, starting with ones you already engage with might build on current relationships.

If you have any other questions regarding supporting people living with dementia through the pandemic, please contact me so I can help share best practice between different areas of the city.

Passing the time

I understand that many of the people you support will suddenly have lots of time on their hands so in this section I will share different ways to pass the time.

Make a comic strip.

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See below a template.

Some ideas would be a comic about:

- A superhero
- A Fairy
- A day in the life
- An instruction book for children

Let me know if you want to share your own with other partnership organisations and I can do this in your next support document from Enrichment for the Elderly- sharing is caring after all!

Joke of the day

Do you want to hear a joke about a balloon?

Oh wait it just got away from me.

I hope you have found this document useful. If there is anything that I should add or remove as a feature for next time, please let me know as I want to make it as helpful as possible for you. If you want to share your best practice, please let me know too.

Thanks for all that you do in making a big difference to people living with dementia and their carers.

Please take care of yourself and if there is anything, I can do to help please let me know.

Thanks,

Grace

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