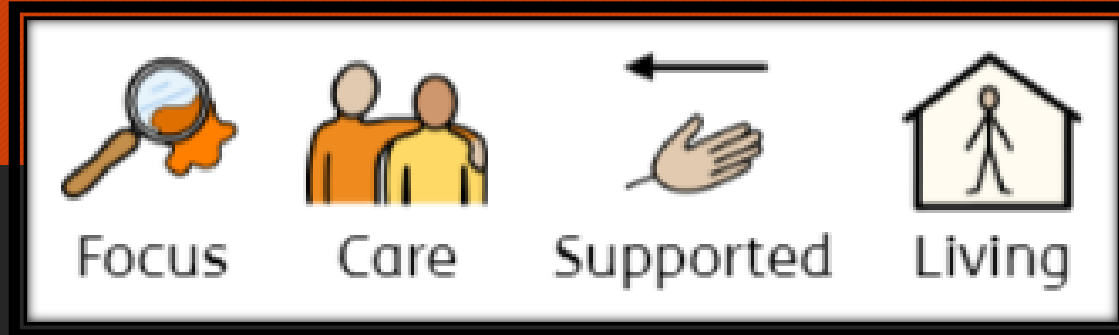




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# JUNE 2024 Newsletter





Happiest of Birthdays to:

Olivia who celebrated her birthday on the 9<sup>th</sup> June

Eleanor who celebrated her birthday on 24<sup>th</sup> June

Sean who celebrated his birthday on 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Hannah who celebrated her birthday 10<sup>th</sup> June

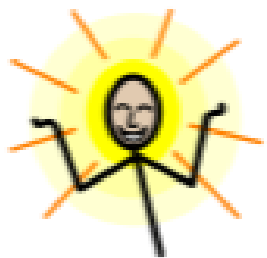
Bethany who celebrated her birthday on 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Happy Birthday to our Peterborough Support Worker Daria

And Finally, to our Wonderful Sarah Jones who celebrates her birthday on 29<sup>th</sup> June







# Amazing



## A Remarkable Month in the World of Focus Care Supported Living

This past month has been nothing short of extraordinary for the individuals we support at Focus Care Supported Living. Their calendars have been brimming with a variety of enriching activities and community engagements.

From showcasing their culinary talents in a spirited bake-off to enjoying rejuvenating holidays with their dedicated support teams, our service users have truly embraced every opportunity to connect and celebrate. They've delighted in birthday parties, bonded at Phab clubs, and sharpened their skills at snooker halls. The allure of the seaside and the wonders of the zoo have also been on their agenda, providing countless moments of joy and discovery.

A highlight of the month was Alisha's participation in the prestigious National Learning Disability and Autism Awards, where her achievements and stories were celebrated on a grand stage. Additionally, we are incredibly proud to share that Chloe has achieved a significant milestone by receiving her provisional driver's licence, marking a new chapter of independence and accomplishment.

With the arrival of sunnier days and the cheerful presence of the sun, everyone's spirits have soared. We invite you to turn the page and immerse yourself in the vibrant photos capturing these beautiful moments and the incredible experiences of those we support.



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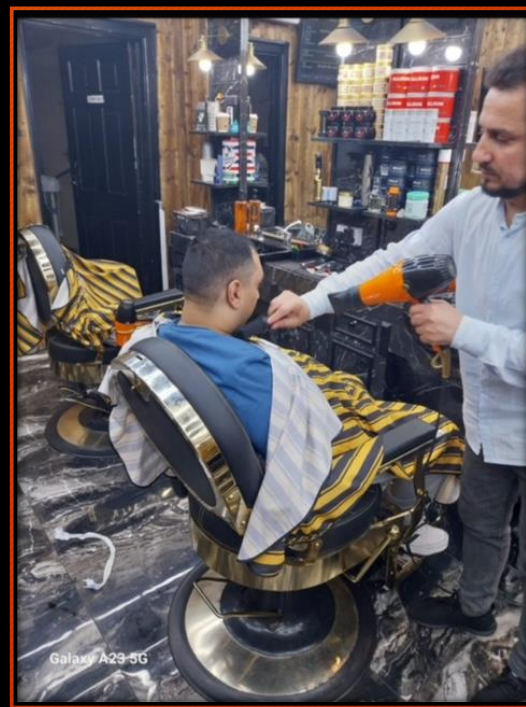
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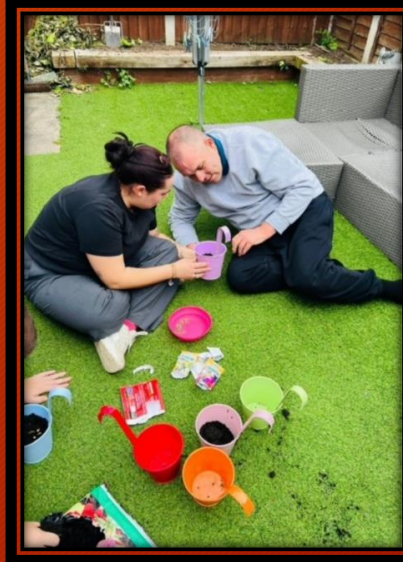
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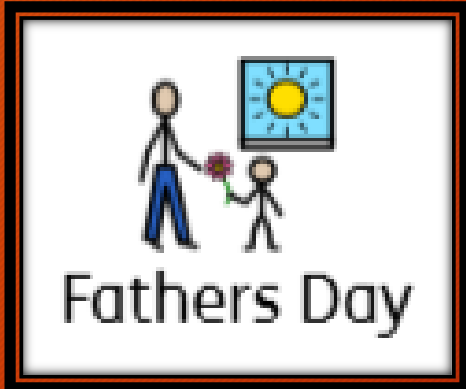
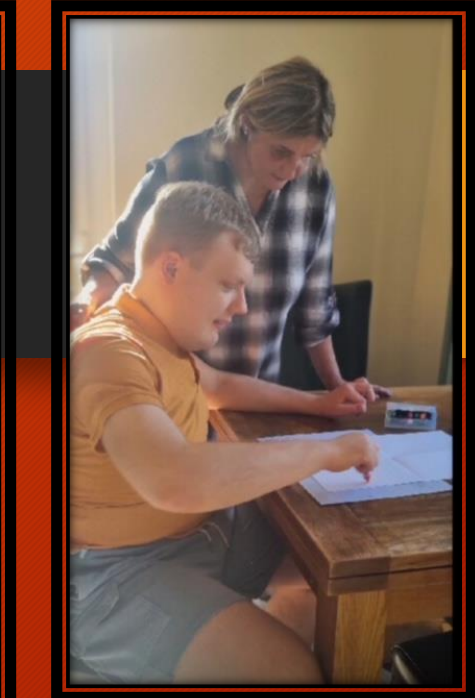




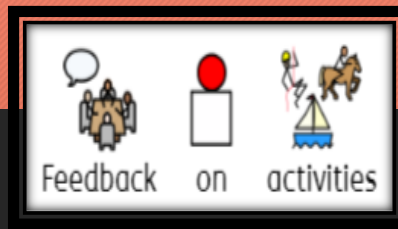
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Chloe " I am happy because you have booked my theory driving test"

JL "I enjoyed college days and also preparing new veggie food recipes cheese with sneeze. "



SS "I have had a good week. I enjoyed my shopping on Monday. Today I brought some party food, a gift and a card for my teacher at college,"

JP "I had a good week but not been out much as it is a big tennis tournament and it's too busy, it's been too hot, phew, next week I will go back on the buses, tickle your hair Emma, love you "!





Shout Out to the Brickfields team leader and Support Worker Cheri, for successfully taking a service user on a holiday.

Shout out to Central Ave for the best quick win forms completed, showing how your care and dedication have given JS the best outcomes.

Shout out to Childer Road Staff for exceptional support and dedication in reaching a yearlong goal for the service user !

Shout Out to the Franklyn Team in helping JW reach his goal of owning his own pet guinea pigs





Huge congratulations to J, the talented winner of our Pride Month Art Extravaganza! 🏳️‍🌈 🎨

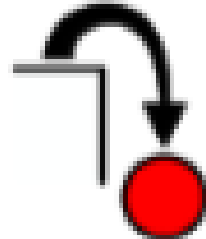

Your artwork truly embodies the spirit of Ubuntu, our company culture. Your words, “We are free together” and “Love”, resonate with our belief in the power of unity and compassion. 💛 ❤️

Your creativity and passion shone through in every brushstroke, capturing the spirit of Pride in a way that left us all in awe. Your art is a testament to the beauty and diversity of the LGBTQ+ community. 🏳️‍🌈

Thank you for sharing your talent with us and for making this event a true extravaganza. We can't wait to see what you create next! ✨

#PrideMonth #ArtExtravaganza #Winner #Ubuntu





Bake off 2024

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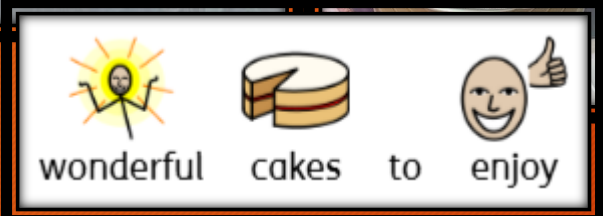
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The logo for the Bake Off 2024 event. It features a stylized green oven with a white top and a red circle with a white arrow pointing to it. The text "Bake off" is written below the oven, and "2024" is written to the right. The year "2024" is also written below the "off" and to the right of the oven.









If you would like to see the videos of the service user's singer at the Bake Off – Please head over to our Facebook Page



## The Bake Off – 2024: A Day to Remember!

What an incredible day it was! On the 6th of June, our teams from across the country gathered at the charming 1940's Ramsey Camp in Cambridgeshire for the much-anticipated Bake Off 2024. The theme? Adult Social Care. This event, meticulously planned over months by our dedicated HR and recruitment team, turned out to be a day filled with joy, laughter, and a healthy dose of competitive spirit.

The creativity and thoughtfulness behind the cakes were truly remarkable. Each team brought their A-game, presenting cakes that were not only delicious but also deeply meaningful. The atmosphere was electric with excitement and camaraderie.

Lunch, generously provided by the company, was a delightful affair, offering ample opportunities for team building and networking. It was heartwarming to see everyone come together, sharing stories and forging stronger bonds.

Our service users added a special touch to the day with their performances. Hannah, Steven, and Jay captivated us with their solo performances, while Alisha moved everyone with her beautiful poem. Their contributions made the event even more memorable.

A huge congratulations to the Peterborough team for earning the highest scores from our esteemed judges! Your hard work and creativity truly shone through.

Special thanks to everyone who organized this fantastic event and to our judging panel for their time and expertise. The only challenge now is figuring out how to top this next year!

Here's to more such wonderful events in the future! 🍰🎂









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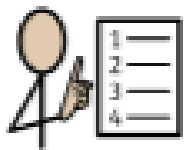


## June 2024 Policy of the Month

Care Management

### Sex, Sexuality and Relationships Policy and Procedure

Previous Policy of the Month can be found in Monthly Policy Update



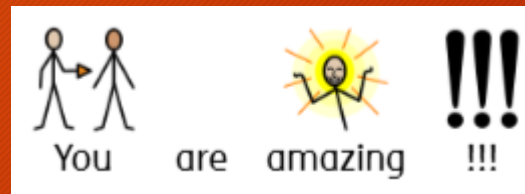
POLICY OF THE MONTH

- 1.Promotes Inclusivity and Respect:** It ensures that all individuals, regardless of their sexual orientation or relationship status, are treated with respect and dignity.
- 2.Provides Clear Guidelines:** It offers clear guidelines on acceptable behaviour, helping to prevent misunderstandings and conflicts.
- 3.Supports Safe Environments:** Such policies help create safe and supportive environments by addressing issues like consent, harassment, and discrimination.
- 4.Educates and Informs:** They provide essential information and education about healthy relationships, sexual health, and rights, empowering individuals to make informed decisions.
- 5.Legal Compliance:** Ensures that the organization complies with relevant laws and regulations, protecting both the organization and its members.

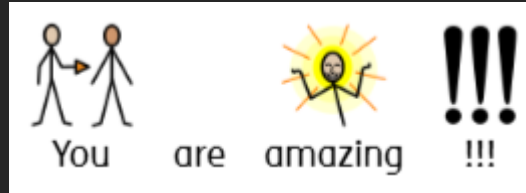




We were honoured to have six finalists attend the National Learning Disabilities and Autism Awards on Friday, 21st June 2024. While we did not secure any awards on this occasion, we are immensely proud of our finalists: Christine Goldstone, Emma Rycraft, Fiona Gibbs, Focus Care Supported Living, Alisha B, and Tawri Dutton-Mitchell. Their dedication and achievements are truly commendable.







### This is what the Judges said:

Alisha is an expert by experience her poem moved me about her experience and how she is advocating to make sure people know and understand how hard it is for vulnerable people to share their experiences.

Even if someone doesn't want to help themselves, others do want to help. Her main goal is to support people in whatever way they need, even if they don't always know exactly what to do. Alisha is doing better and has more patience and time to help others. She has become more self-aware and lives in a block of flats with seven other residents who have become friends, supporting each other through their journeys.

Alisha noticed how it's okay not to be okay, and that it's important to express emotions. She always apologises, but she's learned to understand that bad things happen and that they don't define her. Alisha's progress has been amazing; she participates in group therapy and has grown so much that she's now able to talk to us openly.

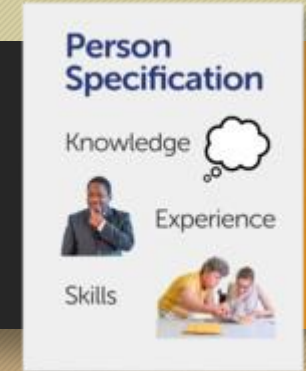
Alisha faced significant challenges in education, being out of school for six years. Despite this, she passed every exam in her Health and Social course. No one believed in her initially, but she was brave enough to go back to college, being open and honest about her needs. She wants to be an advocate to help others and is very opinionated (in a good way) about the right things. Her passion for getting things right is inspiring.

Alisha is intelligent, articulate, and very strong. Her journey has been long and hard, but she hasn't given up. This experience has reinforced the importance of support, understanding, and the strength found in shared struggles. Your story is inspiring so please keep spreading awareness and support for others going through similar experiences.

Alisha we are so very proud of you







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


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*If you have any compliments, again please let Elaine know and she will pass this on to the team.*

*A huge thank you goes to all our Support Workers, Team Leaders, and Area Managers for their hard work, dedication and commitment to the people we support.*



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