

# December NEWSLETTER

Eden Care at Home

## Training News & Work Placements

After a year of hard work from our Head of Learning and Development, Audrey, the training at Eden Care has grown to new heights. The biggest news on the training front is our Centre of Recognition from AIM Qualifications Group, with this recognition Eden Care at Home will be able to deliver awarding qualifications through our brand-new Eden Care Academy. For all our employees they will be offered the opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge, progress their careers and ensure that they continue to offer the best quality of care to our clients.

Working in collaboration with Berkshire College of Agriculture, we welcomed our first work placement student last month. Chelsea Leigh spent 1 week with us, learning and developing her skills for her Health and Social Care Course, where she shadowed one of our field care supervisors in order to gain a better understanding of caring for people in their own homes. We look forward to welcoming more work placement students in the new year.

Coming up in 2023 along with our usual mandatory training updates, we will also be running a new mandatory training programme that all staff must receive to ensure we remain compliant with a new regulation set out by CQC. The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Learning Disabilities and Autism Training will be made available through the Eden Care Academy from early Spring. The training will be in 2 tiers with the first tier being delivered via an eLearning hub, and the second tier being a 1 day face to face training, which will be completed at the Eden Care offices.

**What a year it has been for Eden Care at Home, 2022 has brought us some tough times, but it has also brought us some incredibly good times too. As we are nearing the end of another year we take a look back over what we have achieved together as a team and what we are looking forward to in 2023.**

Let's rewind back to the summer months when the sun was shining, the temperature was rising and everyone was feeling the unprecedented heat wave. So what better thing to do in the glorious weather than to attend and take part in the GX fun run. Eden Care at Home were proud gold sponsors of this year's fun run and the office staff donned their summer hats and headed to the event where they had an information stand for everyone to visit, whilst also showing their support to Jim and Paula who took part in the fun run itself. The fun run was in aid of charity and this year's event raised an incredible £39,000 for 3 wonderful local charities. We are already planning next year's event, so if anyone would like to take part, start dusting off your trainers now, it won't be long until the fun run is upon us again!

Back in March, we had a very special day, where we invited a few of our clients to lunch with us at the head office. We were joined by clients and their family members in an afternoon of food, drinks, and a good old natter. It was a great way to connect with some of our clients and also receive some very welcome feedback of the work that we do.

This year has also seen a lot of new faces join the Eden Care family, and in October after a very long process we welcomed our first group of overseas carers from India. The small group of lovely ladies were treated to a very special welcome from the Eden Care team, with us celebrating Diwali with them at our head office.

Audrey, also arranged a fun, informative and educational cookery day, so that the group are well equipped to prepare delicious and home cooked meals for our clients. The new recruits both the overseas and local have all settled in well and are enjoying life within the Eden Care Family.

Staying in October, we can't forget to mention the brand new cars added to the fleet with Becky and Leigh both receiving their brand new company car, and are enjoying zooming around to their clients looking flash and corporate!

**We want to take this opportunity to wish all our Clients, Staff, Family and Friends a Very Merry Christmas and a Safe, Happy and Healthy New Year.**

**To all our staff, we thank you for all your hard work, dedication and commitment over this past year, we appreciate all that you do for your clients, the smiles that you bring each and every day, and we truly feel that you are all super heroes!**