

# St Stephens Newsletter

## August 2026



Welcome to our July newsletter, where we have swapped our ordinary routine for roaring motorbikes, miniature steam trains and a first-class tour of Italy without leaving the county. Fasten your seatbelts for a whirlwind tour of our month of seafront trips, circus thrills and heartfelt celebrations.

## Football Fever



We cheered England on in the World Cup with ice cold beers in hand

## Out and About locally



## Sea front Strolls



## We hit the Cinema



## And explored local Museums



**And took the ladies on shopping trips**

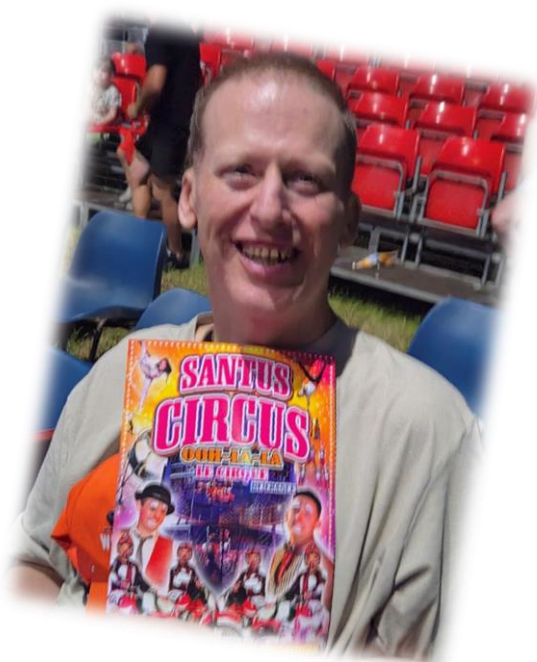
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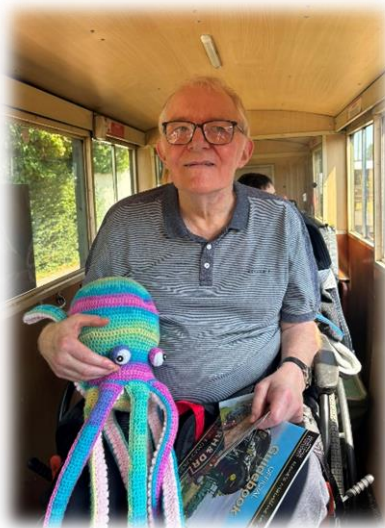


**We met farmyard animals face to face!**

Then held on to our seats for a circus featuring high-flying acrobats, roaring motorbikes and flame throwers!



## All Aboard!



We chugged along the coast on the iconic Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway



**Our resident gardener has become our sous chef, using home grown tomatoes, cress and herbs in his cooking**



**And we had our Grand Italian Staycation**



**We made our own Pizzas & Pasta**



**And ate it!**

**Italian themed Arts & Crafts**



**And day trips to our local**



**Lake Como**



**The Amalfi Coast, complete with authentic Italian Ice Cream!**



**Trevi Fountains**



**And Venetian Waterways**



**And we all went to the cinema to watch a classic Italian film!**

**We had fun and made new friends at LCDs Meet & Mingle**



## Birthdays & Blossoms



We cheered for our resident Crystal Palace superfan on his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, complete with another fantastic cake by Ashleigh.



Celebrated Chars 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday with lots of chocolate

**And spent an afternoon celebrating Joans life,  
with sunshine, flowers, and an afternoon tea**



**And finished the month by visiting the funfair and tried our luck on hook a duck!**



**We also welcomed our new mascot, Lady the Octopus named by Rachel.**



**We knew Lady would bring a lot of energy to the home, but we didn't realise she'd be trying to hijack the homes van for unauthorised trips to the seaside and be using her eight tentacles to play the drums !**

# EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

PROUDLY PRESENTED TO

**Alisha & Ganga**



We are absolutely thrilled to announce that this month, we have not one, but two incredible Employees of the Month! It was completely impossible to choose between them because they are both exceptionally talented, dedicated, and a total joy to have on the team. You could easily describe them as “double trouble,” but entirely without the trouble—just double the hard work, energy, and laughs! Both of these fantastic carers consistently do everything that is asked of them, but what truly sets them apart is how much they do that *isn't* asked. They possess that rare, invaluable initiative to notice exactly what needs doing and just get on and do it without a second thought. At the heart of their work is a deep kindness and compassion; they consistently put our residents' needs above absolutely everything else, bringing endless smiles with their happy, jolly personalities. They truly embody the meaning of teamwork every single day, but when they are scheduled on a shift together, they are absolutely on fire! We are so proud and incredibly grateful to have them both brightening our home and raising the bar for exceptional care.

Next Month

## Our Big Hawaiian Staycation



We're turning our home into a tropical paradise at the end of August

Any Hawaiian themed decorations or tombola prizes will be much appreciated!

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