

The Supporter Newsletter 10 September 2021

DO SOMETHING

EVERYDAY







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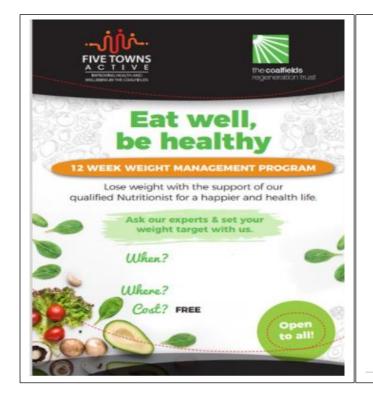


Face to Face courses are back!!

After almost a whole 12 months of only being able to offer online sessions, the College is extremely pleased to announce that we will be (slowly) bringing back face to face courses from Tuesday 7th September. We've worked very hard with and would like to thank our infection prevention and control team, our estates team, and our partners to enable us to bring these sessions back to you. We will of course still be offering online courses as well, as we know that not only do some people prefer courses delivered this way, but also it has enabled some people to attend who would not normally have been able to.

Read more on our NEWS page on the website www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk.

What's out there - support in the community



💰 🍓 Eat Well, Be Healthy 🔭 🍏

The Communities Active team have developed a 12 Week Weight Management Program, covering all aspects of Diet and Nutrition.

Starts 23rd September 2021 (every Thursday for 12 weeks) Where?? - Normanton Library, Wakefield Libraries

~~~~ What's Included???? ~~~~

Nutritionist support throughout.
Weekly weigh in sessions
App support away from the sessions.
Interactive weekly workshops
AND
Its FREE!!!!!
To Book your place email the communities active

To Book your place email the communities active team at communitiesactive@coalfields-regen.org.uk

#EatWellBeHealthy #CommunitiesActive #KnottingleyActive #HealthyLives #Nutritionsupport #NutritionandDiet #12WeekChallenge #WeightManagement



#### A NEW WEEKLY DROP IN SESSION AT ST MARYS COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE CIRCLE, CHEQUERFIELD, PONTEFRACT, WF8 2AY

#### EVERY FRIDAY

10am-12pm

Free and confidential information and advice on-

Welfare Benefits & Universal Credit- Entitlement, challenging decisions, help with forms...

Work- Redundancy, pay, terms and conditions, dismissals...

Consumer- Faulty goods, problems with services, holidays, building work...

Housing- Landlord and tenant disputes, disrepair, evictions...

Family- Ending a relationship, looking after people, death...

And much more!

At the weekly drop in session our adviser will assess how best to assist you

and will arrange further appointments (telephone or in person) if necessary, including referrals to our own Citizens Advice team of

- Debt advisers
- Fuel advisers
- Universal Credit Help to claim advisers

We are a good place to start as we can also signpost you to more appropriate local or national organisations for specialist help if required.

Citizens Advice Wakefield District is a registered charity. Although part of the national Citizens Advice network we are <u>independent</u> and run locally for the residents of Wakefield District.

Telephone: 0800 144 8848 or visit: wakefielddistrictcab.co.uk



No matter how tiny the feet

The footprints left on our lives and in our hearts

We are holding a support group for anyone affected through baby loss.

Our first group is on the 15th September 2021 at 6pm until 8pm.

#### Everyone is welcome.

We are located at 1-3 Providence Street, Wakefield, WF1 3BG

Qust behind the bus station – street parking and a public car park is available) Please note we are not professionally trained counsellors. Any questions please do get in touch on 01924 208 809





FREE Wakefield Recovery College courses/workshops for anyone over the age of 18. You can find more information and how to enrol by visiting our website <u>www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk</u> or by giving us a call on 01924 316946.

| Course                               | Date                                      | Time          |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Recognising burnout                  | 9 September online                        | 10.30-12.30pm |
| Assertiveness                        | 14 September online                       | 10.00-11.30am |
| Caring for carers                    | 15 September online                       | 4.00-5.30pm   |
| Reading for Wellness                 | 15 September online                       | 1.00-3.00pm   |
| An intro to mindfulness              | 16 September online                       | 2.00-4.00pm   |
| Wellbeing at work                    | 16 September online                       | 2.30-4.00pm   |
| Everyday stress                      | 17 September online                       | 10.30-12.30pm |
| Boosting self confidence             | 21 September online                       | 11.30-12.30pm |
| Understanding anxiety                | 22 September online                       | 10.00-12.00pm |
| Overcoming anxiety                   | 7 October online                          | 2.00-4.00pm   |
| Introduction to personality          |                                           |               |
| disorder                             | 12 October online                         | 10.00-12.00pm |
| Accepting change                     | 13 October online                         | 10.00-12.00pm |
| Lifting your spirits                 | 14 October online                         | 2.00-4.00pm   |
| Journaling for wellbeing             | 14 October Fieldhead Campus,<br>Wakefield | 1.30-3.30pm   |
| Stroke awareness                     | 15 October St Giles Church,               |               |
|                                      | Pontefract                                | 2.00-4.00pm   |
| Feeling positive, busting            |                                           |               |
| stress                               | 18 October online                         | 11.00-12.30pm |
| Dare to share                        |                                           |               |
|                                      | 2 November online                         | 1.00-3.00pm   |
| Managing anxiety and                 |                                           |               |
| worry                                | 4 November online                         | 2.00-3.30pm   |
| Menopause and me                     |                                           |               |
|                                      | 9 November online                         | 10.00-11.30am |
| Dyslexia awareness                   | 25 November online                        | 10.30-12.30pm |
| Body Image                           |                                           |               |
| body image                           | 30 November online                        | 10.00-11.30am |
| Introduction to personality disorder | 6 December online                         | 10.00-12.00pm |
|                                      |                                           |               |
| Winter wellness                      | 7 December online                         | 10.00-11.30am |

The Recovery College team are working behind the scenes to organise more face-to-face courses to take place in community venues, subject to Covid-19 guidelines. Keep checking our website as we regularly update it.

\*\*Places on our courses are subject to availability



NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.

Feeling down

TOGETHER WE CAN

and need

someone

to talk to?

Finding things tough? Not feeling yourself? 💚

There's a 24-hour confidential helpline available to anyone registered with a GP in Barnsley, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield.

Call 0800 183 0558.

It's free, and they advise, listen, and direct you to a local service that can help.

#TogetherWeCan Choose Well. 🤍

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**Online on Microsoft Teams Every Four Weeks** Music has infinite power to

reach the gap between the heart and the soul to create immeasurable and ineffable joy...

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## WE ARE WAKEFIELD DISTRICT

we're honest. Our shared stories reflect our reritage, creativity, quirky non-conformist social and economic inequalities: but we're ambitious

Wakefield - City (District) of Culture; Just dare usl

## A SHARED VISION

Creative Wakefield Framework, a multi-partne action plan, developed by the Creative Wakefie

To drive forward an outstanding quality of life for everyone. A happy, prosperous, welcoming, and inclusive place where culture and creativity is everywhere and



Our popular music group starts soon Ring the college to book your place



The Square, WF10 3JJ Monday The 13<sup>nd</sup> of September 12noon till 2pm

Come join us as we meet up in person for the first time since the lockdown due to Covid-19 Just 50p Towards Costs

## Smash Wakefield | Facebook

WARNING These are not sweets and can be poisonous if eaten!

## **City of Culture**

Wakefield Council's exciting and ambitious bid to become #CityofCulture2025 is part of their overall recovery strategy following the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

#Wakefield2025 will bring long-term benefits to people across the district and will help them to attract more visitors and investment, boost jobs, increase skills and business opportunities and create even more exciting opportunities to take part in arts and cultural activities.

You can watch the video developed to support their bid here. (right click, open hyperlink)



# Have you found the best way to convey it?

Writing's one of those things that can be done in all kinds of ways. Making up a shopping list is much that same as penning a best-selling novel. They might seem to be a world apart, but they both involve the same skill: putting one word after another.

When you write anything it's always best to use your imagination. Always believe that there are things out there in the world that you haven't discovered yet, but that have the potential to be important to you. Take, for example, the radio. Until just recently, the only thing a radio meant to me was something to listen to. Then, a friend told me that she was going to host her own radio show. I didn't realise what a game changer this was at first. I thought that only talented and fortunate people got to speak on the radio so imagine my surprise when, after sending an email to the owner of the radio station, he told me to come on in and do my own show! So, I did. And it was great. And I'm going to do it again this week!

Life is full of all sorts of opportunities like this. You only need to listen to the people around you to find them. Sometimes it's difficult to hear the messages, but if you listen with the right kind of mind-set then you can set yourself up to have all sorts of new and interesting experiences. And that's what I mean about using your imagination. When you go through life thinking that you don't have anything to offer the world then that's precisely what you'll give. But if you imagine what it would be like to hunt out and use the clues that life puts your way then that kind of openness to change will move you towards more new places than you ever thought possible.

But what's that got to do with writing, I hear you say. Well, here's the thing – writing is a really good channel for your imagination to run freely along. Next time you put together a shopping list, try this: add something to your list that you haven't had in a long time, or maybe even something you've never had. Perhaps it's as simple as a fruit (or a bread or a brand) that you've not tried since you were a kid. The thing is, it's not particularly what you put on the list that's important, it's the fact that you've added it to the list. It's the fact of being open to change that sets you on the path to freedom.

In the same way, every single type of writing can do that same thing for you: diary entries, notes on post-its, blog entries, short stories, observations on life, jottings about your childhood, chapters in a novel or epic sagas written in iambic pentameter. At the start of every single piece of writing, including the grandest of novels, is something that we use every day of our life: a word. And after that is another word. Put a few of those together and pretty soon you've got a sentence. And here's the coolest thing of all: it's entirely up to you as to what kind of sentence you write for yourself.

When you use the same words you've used in the past then you'll end up with the same kind of life that you've had up until now, which is fine if you enjoy your life, but if you don't, then now's a great time to change. The words you use to write your shopping list or your novel are the same ones that you will use to describe your future. So do yourself a favour my friend, and write yourself an absolutely fantastically coloured, extravagantly described, wonderfully populated and beatifically sweet one. Have fun!

By Robert C Day – Friend of the Recovery College



## A Free Creative Peer to Peer Level Two Qualification

This course will explore your creative potential whilst learning new skills around the dynamics, facilitation & managing of groups in the role of the tutor, peer or volunteer.

### Are you:

- A woman looking for work or further education and would like to learn new skills to build confidence?
- A woman who can show evidence of being unemployed?
- A woman who is on universal credit?
- A woman who can provide a letter from a career service confirming you are searching for a job?
- A woman who is economically inactive and can show no income from employment.

Each session runs from 10am until 2:30pm with a break and FREE bealthy lunch provided each week.

Ask us about Childcare & Travel Funding!

helloedreamtimecreative.org for further information. The Dates!

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Registration & Taster Day 9th November 2021

Application Completion 30th November 2021

12 Week 2022 Course 1st, 8th, 15th February 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd March 5th, 26th April 3rd, 10th, 17th May

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# West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership launches regional suicide prevention portal

This World Suicide Prevention Day (Friday 10 September) West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership will launch a comprehensive website dedicated to helping people with suicidal thoughts and those concerned for the mental wellbeing of anyone who lives in West Yorkshire.

The <u>West Yorkshire Suicide Prevention website</u> is an information portal coproduced by a group of organisations including voluntary, NHS and local authorities who are all working to reduce death by suicide in the region.

Key content on the site includes:

- Details of organisations that support people who are feeling suicidal in each area of West Yorkshire – Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield
- Information about the <u>West Yorkshire Suicide Bereavement Service</u>, which offers 1-to-1 and group peer support to anyone who has lost a friend, family member or colleague to suicide
- News and information about suicide prevention partners locally and nationally, including specialist support for men.

Hundreds of health and care organisations, including the NHS and Councils, have come together with a shared ambition to reduce the suicide rate by 10% across West Yorkshire; this is one of the Partnership's 10 big ambitions.

National figures published by the Office of National Statistics on 1 September 2020 show that Yorkshire and the Humber region had the highest suicide rate in England at 12 suicides per 100,000 population over a three-year period between 2017 and 2019. In West Yorkshire and Harrogate, there has been an increase from 10.6 per 100,000 between 2016-18 to 11.88 between 2017 and 2019 (latest available figures).

Jessica Parker, Suicide Prevention Project Manager, for West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership Suicide Prevention Programme said: "Only by working in collaboration with people who live in our communities across West Yorkshire, can we reduce deaths by suicide.

"We want to continue to normalise conversations about mental health and suicide. Asking someone about whether they feel suicidal, will not increase the chances of them taking their own life, indeed it could prevent suicide.

"We hope that this new website will make it clear that there is support available and give the right information about where to go for help."

The launch of the <u>West Yorkshire Suicide Prevention website</u> follows the Partnership's <u>'Check-in'</u> campaign launched in February this year, which aims to reduce suicide among health and care staff and promote a wellbeing culture by normalising the conversation around suicide. West Yorkshire and Harrogate is the third largest partnership of its kind in England. There are approximately 260,000 unpaid carers and well over 110,000 staff across the area. The Check-In campaign is continuing to inspire new action and most importantly, it is supporting open and honest discussions around mental health and suicide to take place in the workplace.

You can follow the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership on Twitter <u>www.twitter.com/WYHpartnership</u> and also join the conversation around World Suicide Prevention Day using #WSPD2021.