

# The Supporter Newsletter



### 01 December 2023



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The College will be closed from the 16th of December - 1st of January, inclusive. Follow us on our socials for our 17 days of Christmas again - with a different activity each day to try.

Don't miss out on our monthly blogs on our website starting on the 8th of December. <u>https://www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk/blog/</u>

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	25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy	29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why ((	31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2024	2
Dece	18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving	19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated	20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need	21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you	22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh	
mber	11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	13 See how many different people you can smile at today	14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one	15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day	16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you	
Kindne	4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member	9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead	10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them	
ess 2023					1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others	<sup>2</sup> Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	<sup>3</sup> Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment	
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This winter, all Wakefield Libraries are welcoming you to our warm spaces. Wet and windy out? Escape the chill and embrace the coziness of our warm libraries while enjoying a free cup of tea or coffee. We've got lots to do while you're warming up - including books, free computer and WiFi access, puzzles, activities, craft groups and good company.

# WAKEFIELD LIBRARIES WARM SPACES IS **BACK!**

- WE ARE PROVIDING HOT BEVERAGES FOR FREE!
- TEA & COFFEE PLUS MILK & SUGAR!
- EXPECTED TO LAST UNTIL APRIL 2024



### **Adult Cuppa** & Craft Free sessions open to everyone No previous experience required Come for a cuppa, chat, craft When? Every Thursday from 12:30pm - 2:30pm **Tieve Tara Medical Centre** Where? It's not a crime is it? Address: Park Dale, Castleford, WFI0 2QP " Are you wanting to reconnect with local Join the co .org.uk people?

For more information, contact Spectrum People on 07720 899781 or email spectrumpeople@spectrum-cic.nhs.ul



Every day, five people die on UK roads.

1 in 4 fatal crashes involve someone driving too fast.\*

If you break the speed limit, you are breaking the law. Road crime has devastating consequences for the families of people who are killed or injured on roads.

Whoever you are, however you travel, we need to talk about speed.

Let's talk about

for Transport (2022) Table RAS0704: Re







## Young Futures Term-time

activities for children + young people!

### Mondays 3-4.30pm | Connect Café

Stop by this relaxed space at St George's - get online, do homework and college tasks.

### Mondays 6-7.30pm | Youth Cafe

This is your space to come and chill out. Join us every Monday at Jubilee Hall. Free wi-fi, snacks and - of course - good company!

We will be offering free refreshments and tuck shop at St George's, as well fun activities and games. Meet friends, have fun.

Catch the Young Futures team as they make their way around the estate or drop by Jubilee Fields for a chat and a kick about.

Want to access something online or game with friends? Use our wi-fi! Runs weekly, except for the week when our monthly events

### take place (see below). Monthly live music events

Join us at Jubilee Hall and enjoy music from live DJs!

### Fridays 2-5pm | Connect Café

Ages 7-12 + 13-18 Stop by this relaxed space at St George's - get online, do homework or college tasks.

### Fridays 5.30-7.30pm | We Can with a Van!

We'll be parking up around the Lupset estate in our van - offering games, youth work and a safe space for local young people



COOK + PLAY

10:30-14:30

each child attending.

30 places available 🚣

MINDFUL ME

10:30-14:30

Tuesday 2nd January

Join Paula and Andy from Evergreen Active

and the Young Futures Team: Learn how to

with Andy will follow. Free swim voucher for

Dietary requirements catered for.

Thursday 4th January

prepare and cook a delicious curry with Paula

before sitting down to eat our culinary creation

together. An afternoon of high energy activities

Celebrating how brilliant we all are and how we

energy day glow dance session, fill your bellies

with a delicious dinner, learn how to calm and

centre yourself with a mindfulness session with the fantastic Compass team, and chill with your free to take home mindful activity pack including

colouring book, fidget toy and swim voucher.

can look after ourselves. Join us in a high

Ages 7-12 + 13-18

Ages 11+

Ages 7-11

Ages 11+

## CREATE + CHILL

at\_**st george**'s

### Wednesday 3rd January 10:30-14:30



Dietary requirements catered for.

### SKATE + SWIM Friday 5th January 10:00-17:00

30 places available

65 seats available



AGES 5-18

30 places available TO BOOK:

Dietary requirements catered for.

Ring 01924 330266 to speak to Lesley. Please leave voicemail if no one answers.

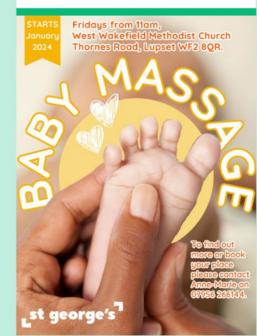


# **Activities for** under 5s + their families

Ongoing weekly sessions (term-time only)



### Short course starting Jan '24



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Baby Weigh + Play

Thornes Road, Lupset WF2 80R To find out more or book uour place please contact: Anne-Marie 07956 266144



JIGGLE & JIVES STAY, PLAY & MUSIC! Tuesday's 9.30am-11.30am at West Wakefield Methodist Church, WF2 8OR. Aimed at Parents and children aged 0-5yrs Term-time only £2 for 1st, £1 for additional children.

Snack and drink provided.

# **Activities for Adults**

### MONDAY

#### Mondays, Wednesdays + Thursdays by appointment

Free talking therapies from aualified professionals, on your doorstep at St George's. Book with Turning Point on 01924 234860.

#### Did you know ...

Turning Point Talking Therapies also have free online and face to face workshops to support with emotional health issues? Find out more at https://mytp.me/wakefieldtalking-therapies-publications

### TUESDAY HELP AT THE HUB

Drop-ins 10am-12noon with Step-Up (employability support) and Citizen's Advice (help with anything from benefits to housing to consumer rights).

+ DWP drop-in from 1.15pm.

### from 12:30 Free Lunch at the Church

Pop by St George's Church on Tuesdays from 12:30 for a free lunch.

Centre closure information

Please note our centre will be

December 2023 - Monday 1st

January 2024 (inclusive).

HOLIDAYS

closed Saturday 23rd

### WEDNESDAY

#### 9.30-11.30am Cycling for Fun

Enjoy cycling with new friends at this accessible group at Thornes Park Athletic Stadium. £3.30pp

#### 10-11am Chair Exercise

Gentle exercise to improve and maintain flexibility. £4pp.

#### 4-5pm

Stop Smoking Support Group

Peer support with expert advice and guidance from Yorkshire Smokefree Service.



### THURSDAY

#### 10.<u>3</u>0-11.30am Coffee Morning

Enjoy a cuppa with friends and neighbours. £2pp.

#### 1-2.30pm Crafty Chat

Bring your craft projects along to this fun and friendly social group. £1pp.

### 1.15-2.15pm Singing for Fun

Join us at Jubilee Hall and find joy in song. You're welcome whether you think you can sing or not! First session is free, normal cost £3pp.

### FRIDAY

12.30-2pm Lunch Club A real St George's institution meet old friends and new for a fab 3 course meal on Fridays. £7pp, plus £5 for transport (if needed)

MONTHLY Litter Pick

Usually second Sunday of the month, times vary. Let's leave Lupset looking lovelu!

### COME VISIT US!

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St George's Community Centre, Broadway, Lupset WF2 8AA

### 01924 369631

- info@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk
- www.stgeorgeslupset.org.uk

### Christmastime at \_ **st deor**(

### FEEL HAPPY, WELCOME + PART OF SOMETHING

st george's

### FESTIVE FUN

### Saturday 2nd December 13:00-16:00



### WARM SPACES

### Friday 8th December 16:00-18:00

01924 369 631

school with free heating and wi-fi,

info@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk

### WREATH-MAKING Various dates

3 hour workshops

Make your own festive felt wreath for just £7pp (booking fees may apply).

- Dates available (pick one):
- Monday 4th December 10:00-13:00,
- Friday 8th December 13:00-16:00 Saturday 16th December 11:00-14:00.

### **FAMILY CRAFTS**

GOY in St George's Lupset

### Saturday 16th December 11:00-14:00

Enjoy family-friendly activities and food and drink from our cafe. Make reindeer food for Rudolph and his friends and create other Christmas crafts! Crafts are pay as you feel - donations welcome

making workshop (listed above) No need to book - just turn up!

Turning poverty and isolation into warmth and local connection

warmwelcome.uk

# You're Welcome

Warm Welcome Spaces are opening their doors to local communities, offering everyone a free, warm, welcoming and friendly space. Why not explore your local Warm Welcome Space, it's a great place to connect with your community and to make new friends.

### December 2023 - January 2024

1-2.30pm

Fortnightly Litter Pick

7th December from 10.30am

Help keep Lupset tidy and enjoy

a free cuppa + snack afterwards.

Thursday Leisure Club (TLC)

Fun and games every

Thursday afternoon. £3pp.





# Advice Events

The rising cost of living is impacting most residents. From rent and mortgage payments to utility bills, it can be worrying to see an increase in our outgoing bills.

Get expert advice and support from Citizens Advice, Money Smart, Cash Wise and Wakefield Council's benefits and energy team on a range of issues, including:

- · Money, benefits and debt
- · Home energy and bills support
- · Jobs and training opportunities

Find your local event, date and time by scanning the QR code below or visiting

www.wakefield.gov.uk/yourmoneymatters



Department for Work &

Pensions



See us at our

Come and speak to us at



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# Can't make it to an event?

Contact Money Smart, WDH Cash Wise or Wakefield District Citizens Advice for free advice and support on finances, bills and energy.

Wakefield Council Money Smart 01924 305 892 Wakefield.gov.uk/moneysmart

WDH Cash Wise 01977 724 651 Getcashwise.co.uk

Wakefield District Citizens Advice 0800 144 8848 (freephone) Wakefielddistrictcab.co.uk



### For more cost of living support and information, visit www.wakefield.gov.uk/costofliving









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### AVD/

We offer a safe space for men, in the Wakefield District, who are experiencing or have been affected by Domestic Abuse, to openly talk.

Our service offers practical & emotional upport, advice, information and person entred counselling.

### 01924 787507

West Yorkshire GASPED MATTERS



We offer a West Yorkshire wide service for male victims of Sexual Abuse, giving them a safe space to openly talk.

### 01924 787507

Charity: 1072174 Company Registration: 03580792

every Tuesday 10am-2pm

Eastmoor

**Community Project** 

Come to speak to us about savings, loans and budgeting, to help build your financial resilience

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DATE: Sunday 3rd December LOCATION: The Hepworth Wakefield WF1 5AW

**DATE: Friday 8th December** LOCATION: Morrisons, Stuart Road, Pontefract WF8 1BT

DATE: Thursday 14th December LOCATION: Xscape, Colorado Way, Castleford WF10 4TA

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# me and menopause

Me & Menopause provides information, practical help and support to empower women to take control of their menopause and improve their health and mental wellbeing.

Where: Online - ZOOM

#### When:

Saturday 13/01/24 @ 10am -12.30pm Saturday 20/01/24 @ 10am -12.30pm (Must be able to attend both sessions)

#### How to book:

Email catherine@bringmetolife.co.uk



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# () me and menopause

### Find local menopause support!

### So, what's on in January?

#### MONDAYS

Portobello Community Centre, Portobello 7.30pm to 9pm (15 January to 12 February) Contact sarahcuttspcf@gmail.com / 07799 534702

#### TUESDAYS

St Mary's Community Centre, Pontefract 6.30pm to 7.30pm (9 January to 6 February) Contact stmarys@stmaryscommunity.co.uk / 01977 705341

Castleford Heritage Trust, Castleford 10am to 11.30am (9 January to 6 February) Contact chtvolunteering@gmail.com / 01977 556741

#### WEDNESDAYS

Havercroft & Ryhill Community Learning Project, Ryhill 2.30pm to 3.30pm (10 January to 7 February) Contact katherine@rycroftcommunity.co.uk / 01226 727824

#### THURSDAYS

Red Roof Centre, Kinsley 6pm to 8.30pm (11 January to 18 January) Contact toarrington@kinsley-fitzwilliam.org.uk / 01977 610931

Evergreen Active, Hybrid - Online & Ossett 1pm to 2pm (18 January to 15 February) paula@evergreenactive.co.uk / 07948 623270

#### SATURDAYS

Bring Me To Life - Women's Wellness ClC, Online 10am to 12.30pm (13 January to 20 January) Contact catherine@bringmetolife.co.uk

Dream Time Creative, Wakefield Library 10am to 4pm (20 January) Contact hello@dreamtimecreative.org

Friendly menopause support sessions bought to you by local community organisations. Come along!

# Choose well for your mental health

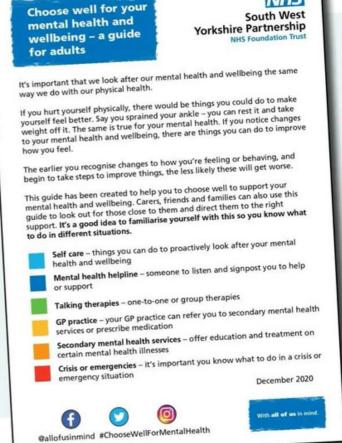
South West Yorkshire Partnership

NHS

Are you aged 18 or over and living in Barnsley, Calderdale, Kirklees or Wakefield?

### Do you want to know:

- How you can look after your mental health and wellbeing?
- Where you or others can go for mental health and wellbeing support locally?



# Download the 'choose well for mental health' guide at:

www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/choosewell

or scan the QR code

If you require a copy of this information in any other format or language please contact the Trust.

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No one likes to be alone around the festive period so here are some places you can go to stay warm, have a chat and even get some free festive food.

# Pontefract Community Kitchen

**FREE** Full English breakfast served all Christmas day morning <u>Where</u>: Situated in the square near the kiosk shop opposite Pontefract bus station

## <u>St Georges</u> Church

A **free** lunch is available at st Georges church. <u>Where</u> : St George's Road Wakefield, WF2 8AA <u>Date</u> : December 26th <u>Time</u> : 12:30 - 1:30

## <u>MHA Community Christmas</u> <u>themed meals</u>

Featherstone Community Centre Hall - Monday 18th December -11:30am -2pm

### Fitzwilliam Community centre -

Thursday 19th December - 10am -3pm

**Airedale Cafe** - Next To Library Wednesday 20th December -10am-3pm

# Food Banks

# Wakefield Food

# **Bank**

St. Michaels Church, Westgate Common, WF2 9RW Opening time: Wednesdays and Fridays 1-3pm

# <u>Wakefield Street</u> <u>Kitchen</u>

Garden Street WF11DX Opening times: Wednesdays at 6pm<u></u> For a food parcel referral, please ring Wakefield Council on 0345 8 506 506.

# Hemsworth food

# pantry

South Street, WF49AT, Hemsworth 07907 104687

Wakefield Safe Space are also open 6pm-midnight every day throughout the festive period at Prosper House (formally Caduceus House), Upper Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 4JZ (next door to Warrengate Medical Centre) for anyone in need. You can also call them on

### 0777 696 2815

24/7 Phonelines available over <u>the festive period</u> The silver line -Free telephone service for elderly people 0800 4 70 80 90 Samaritans 24/7 call 116 123 - anytime of the day about any problem. 24/7 Mental Health Support Line -0800 183 0558



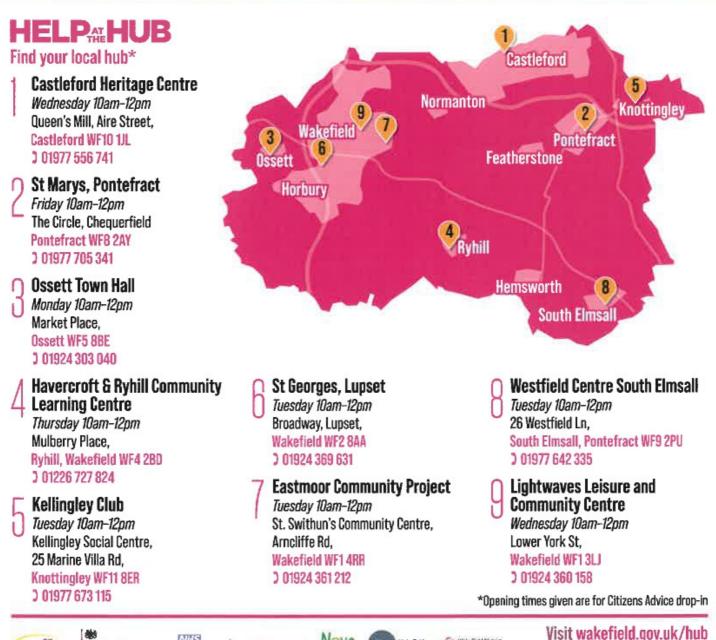
Did you

know?

# Our door is open... Organisations in your local area are here to help you.

Help at the Hub has been created to help people deal with the impact of coronavirus.

Your local community hub can provide help with **money**, **debt problems** (including bills, rent, or mortgage payments), **mental health** and **wellbeing services**, and more.



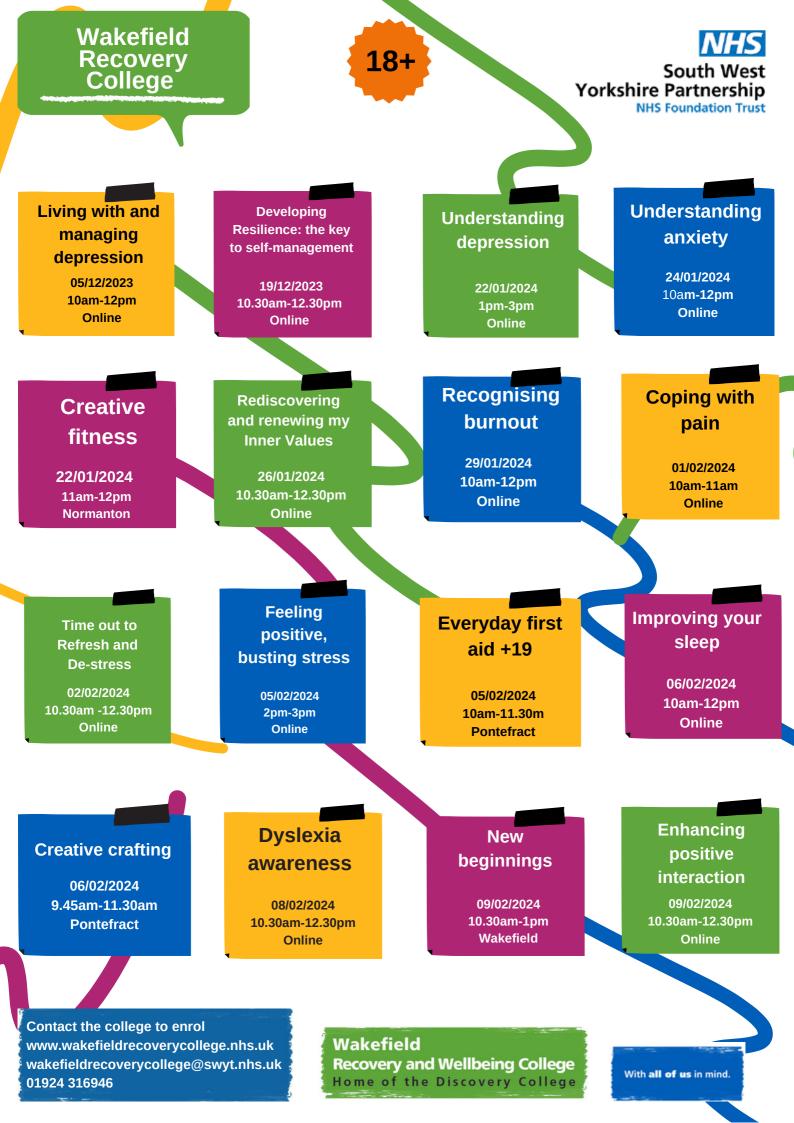
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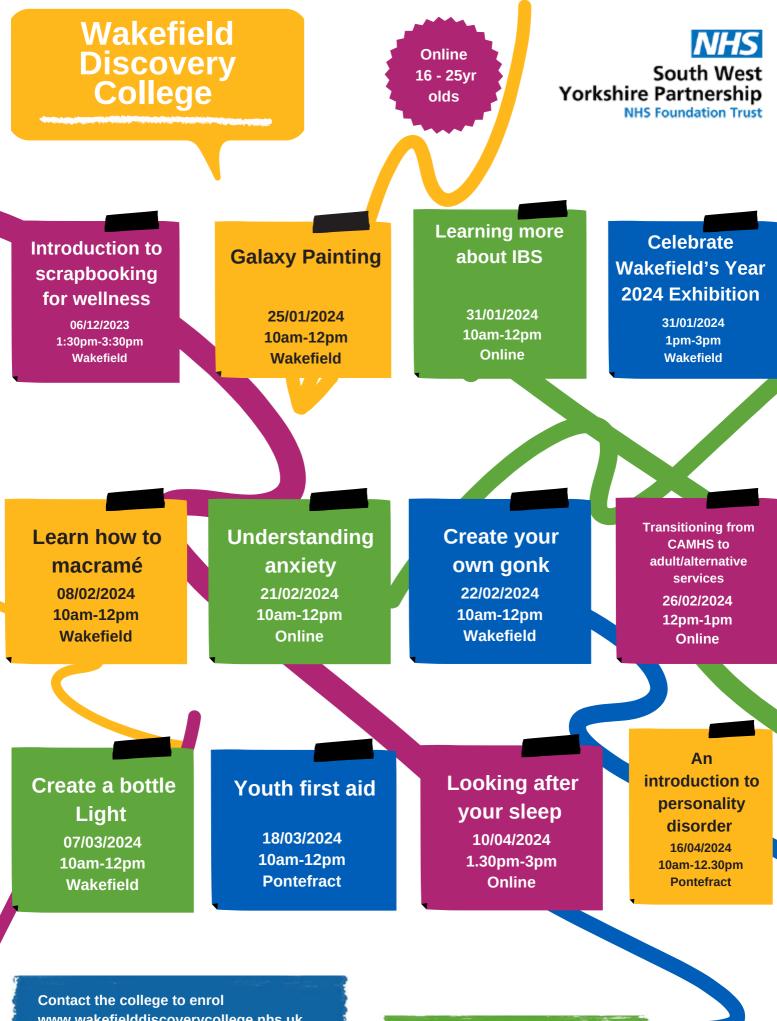


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for further information





Contact the college to enrol www.wakefielddiscoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefielddiscoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946

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# Introduction to scrapbooking for wellness

This introductory session will give you the chance to connect with your creative side.

Scrapbooking is a pastime that has many benefits. It is fun to do and you will be working alongside others in a safe place. It is also known to be a hobby that improves a person's health. Other than getting the satisfaction of putting together a creative product, it also reminds people of what they have accomplished through the things they put on it.

Please note: You will be asked to bring personal item such as; photos, pictures, cards or letters along to class that you may wish to add to your scrapbook. It is also advisable to purchase a scrapbook of your choice to bring along to the course. We will provide all the other materials needed.

### 06 December 2023- 1.30pm-3.30pm

### Prosper House, 59 Upper Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 4JZ

Face to face 16-25

> Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946

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FREE

course





## **Developing Resilience: the key to self-management**

This course provides the learners with tools to develop self-knowledge and selfreliance by focusing on the importance of resilience. It explores the qualities and actions of a resilient person and how to express resilience in one's life, in terms of one's thoughts, feelings and actions. It helps foster resilience by drawing from learners' experiences, working in small groups and feeding back in creative ways. Learners can apply their learning to their lives and take this forward in a suitable plan of action for the future.

This workshop is part of a 'Values in Self-care' series aimed at providing participants with the opportunity to explore, experience and develop spiritual tools (meditation, visualisation, appreciation, listening, play, creativity, and reflection) to enhance their inner strength and wellbeing, in a safe and relaxed setting by a trained and experienced tutor.

### 19th of January 2024- 10.30am-12.30pm



Online 18+



Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946

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Dark nights Fairy lights Oh so bright Church bells ring People sing Christmas once a year Draws ever near

> Santa Claus No time to pause Climbs in his sleigh Gets underway

Out in street No time to meet People rush In store crush Nowhere to park What a lark

Collect the tree Seems big to me Got it from afar Won't fit in car Called it a maxi Send family home in taxi

Weathermen bet No snow yet We all know There'll be no snow

Parcels round the tree Wrapped for you and me Children laugh Woollen scarf Gloves and hat Winter cold needs that

Fire burning in grate Don't be late Christmas food Gratitude Christmas pud All sounds good

Spare a thought For those with nought Out on the street No one to meet

● Wish for peace And war to cease Have Christmas full of cheer Wish everyone a Happy New Year.

RYDER 2023 Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone ALL RIGHTS RESERVED



(OR YOU KIA (M)EL AND ME) Nice to meet Tap that beat Play and sing With G string Struck a chord Not get bored **Fingers where?** Up down there Uke out of tune Fix quite soon **Voices singing Rhythm ringing** Not a clue We will rock you. **Basic strum** Need that drum Tap on wood Sounds quite good Found A seven I 'm in heaven Just need C Sounds ok to me Course so slick **Passed too quick** Need more time? For darling Clementine Good to meet Soon on street Meet like that **Buskers' hat** Out with refrain All singing in the rain Played so well Thanks to Mel **Heaven sent** Time well spent Thanks for coming here Please come back next year As music provider Goodbye from Kia Mel and Ryder

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# CHRISTMAS QUIZ Picture Round



# **Identify the festive films**



