



December 2023



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It's been a busy time at the NECW Workshop since our last newsletter!

Everyone has been enjoying some new activities that have been introduced and enjoying having more choice on the activities they are undertaking and helping out in the workshop.

Well done all 😊

Dates to remember:

- Thursday 14th December pm – Santa will be at the workshop delivering presents - don't worry if you're not normally at the workshop on a Thursday as you will still get a present at the Christmas party.
- 20th December 2023 – Workshop Christmas party - 12-3pm
- The workshop will be closed for 2 weeks over the festive period – we are closed from Thurs 21st Dec until we reopen on Thurs 4th January 24.





NECW Client Goals

Everyone had their input on creating these with regards to what was important to them about the workshop:

- An annual Christmas party is important.
- Coming to the workshop is important as it gives structure, routine and purpose as well as an opportunity to have a laugh with friends
- Make new friends
- Learn new things
- Keeping the same staff is important
- Keep the music – when we have free time or when working
- Would like a daytrip somewhere i.e. minibus trip or outing
- Coming to the workshop is not only a break for me but gives my family a break also which is very important
- Gives me a reason/purpose to get out of bed and/or leave my bedroom and gives me a routine
- Feeling a sense of value and purpose
- The workshop is another home to me and I feel safe
- Enjoy making things
- I like having a uniform
- Also enjoy having the recent new responsibilities i.e. washing up, helping to tidy, empty the bin – makes me feel like I'm helping.

Additional Activities undertaken:

Everyone has been enjoying making items for the workshop to sell for Christmas. These have included:

- **Light up decoupage Christmas bottles**
- **Fluid art light up bottles**
- **Fluid art bears and character**
- **Painting glass bottles**
- **Christmas signs & houses**
- **Gonk sleighs**
- **Fairy pots**
- **Christmas cards**
- **Christmas snow globes**
- **Boxing Christmas baubles.**
- **Wrapping Christmas sweeties**

There are still a few items left to buy 😊

All proceeds from the items we have sold will go back into buying more materials for activities.







Donation



We received a very kind donation to the workshop from the Woehler family – Big thank you's!!! x

The consensus from everyone was to buy a karaoke machine with this. We are looking forward to hearing all you budding Xfactor / The Voice singers 😊

We also have some money left over to buy some other things that will be enjoyed by all at the Christmas party.

Staff update:

- Naomi's beautiful baby girl Aria, was born 06/09/23 6lbs 7oz. Huge congratulations to both Naomi and her partner Gary. Naomi has popped by a few times so we could meet Aria.



See you all hopefully at the Christmas party!

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy NewYear!!