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Hi folks - how are you all doing?

As you will see we are celebrating some successes in this edition of *happenings*. Well done to everyone involved.

By the time you read this we will have repainted the Tans with the help of some very kind people who are volunteering their time to help. There will also be some changes to the lighting and some new additions to look out for. We hope you like it.

We have also booked our summer BBQ - save the date.

Many of you will remember Beeb - she is very kindly fundraising for us by running a half marathon in Bristol this weekend. Thanks Beeb!

Stay safe everyone - Bruce

FOOD HYGIENE SUCCESS!



Tans kitchen volunteer (and all around kitchen volunteer!) Kevin has successfully achieved his Level Three Food Hygiene training - a really incredible feat. This training includes detailed information about preparing and cooking food, cleaning food areas and things such as allergens.

This qualification in one of the highest available and Kevin is the first volunteer to have achieved this. A really great achievement. Well done, Kevin!

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John's Tricky Quiz Question #46

Q: Which author/writer/poet was named after a lake in England, one of his work's includes 'The Man Who Would Be King'? As a clue, think of the bakery isle of a supermarket!

Answer in the next issue of Hextol Happenings. Answer to question #45:

- Q: What phrase meaning to get out of an awkward situation do we get from a play from the 1860's called The Flying Scud by Dionysius Boucicault.
- A: Going to see a man about a dog.



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QUARTERLY BRIEFING

This quarter, Lauren has worked to put everything that's happened in the last few months into a Quarterly Briefing presentation to keep everyone up to date.

Lauren has done a wonderful job putting it together, and we will try and catch you all when we can to give you the update.

Another shout out goes to Katelyn - who worked with us to help give the quarterly briefing presentation to our Thursday volunteers and was very good.





HEXTOL UPDATES!

We're entering a new quarter this month - which brings a new schedule of workshops to attend and enjoy! Last quarter had some great ones - we hope that you all liked the ones you attended. There will be a workshop schedule inside the envelope with this Hextol Happenings - if you could circle the workshops you're interested in and give it back to Jo or Beth as soon as possible, that would be great! We hope to see you there.

Also this month - we have sent out our first Hextol Highlights! This is a newsletter, much like this one, but aimed at supporters. If you know anyone who would like to receive this Highlights - let us know so we can add them to out mailing list!

And finally - a date for the diary. The next social event will be a BBQ and will be on July 3rd. Invites to be sent out soon!





ASDAN SUCCESS STORIES!

Some really exciting news - ASDAN, who a lot of you have done training through, have featured us on their website as a 'success story'! ASDAN's lifeskills challenge allows us to give you accredited training in a whole range of things - cleaning the kitchen, first aid, setting the table for lunch and navigating for a driver around a local area. For all of you who have done an ASDAN course, you will be getting your certificates very soon!

Congratulations to all of you who have taken part in a course and done so well - we couldn't be a success story without that! If you would like to read this story - add link here.

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If you would like to take part in an ASDAN training course and haven't yet, don't worry - there will be more opportunities to come!