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Hi Folks—It's been an exciting week here at Hextol!

We've taken delivery of our new van, our new IT system is up and running, we've been in touch with loads of you and there has been lots of work going on for customers. Have a look at the pictures on the back.

I can't tell you yet when we will be able to reopen to you all but hopefully this will be clearer in the next couple of weeks and rest assured as soon as we can get you back safely we will be doing it.

Until then stay safe and don't forget to get in touch if you need anything.

Bruce

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Our friends at No 28 have asked us to publicise their new project which aims to provide IT equipment and data to those who need it. If you, or someone you know, needs a laptop or tablet to stay in touch then let us know and we'll link them up with the lovely people at No28.

Love is in the air...

As Valentine's Day approaches it feels like a great time to appreciate those we love whoever they are!

Your loved ones might be parents, siblings, pets, partners or friends and it's more important than ever to reach out (virtually) and show people how much we care. We can send our love through a phone call, card or video chat or even a gift in the post. I'm sure a box of these homemade truffles would brighten someone's day (but not your pets'!)

Homemade chocolate truffles

Chop **300g of dark chocolate** into a large bowl and set aside. In a saucepan, gently heat **300ml of double cream** and **50g of butter** until hot but not boiling. Remove the pan from the heat and carefully pour the hot cream mixture over the chocolate. Allow to sit for 2 minutes and then stir together until it is all melted and glossy. Allow to cool and then chill for 4 hours in the fridge.

Dip a melon baller or a teaspoon in hot water and scoop balls of the truffle mixture and place on a piece of greaseproof paper. Then (with clean hands) roll each truffle into a ball using your hands. You need to work fairly quickly so it doesn't melt! Once you form a ball, roll each truffle into your topping of choice until completely coated. Topping can be **cocoa powder, chopped nuts, sprinkles, desiccated coconut...**or whatever takes your fancy! Chill for another hour to make sure they are set.



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This week we have received our brand new van for the Gardeners and PropertyWorks crews.



It still needs to be adorned with our logo and branding but I know our staff and volunteers are itching to use it!



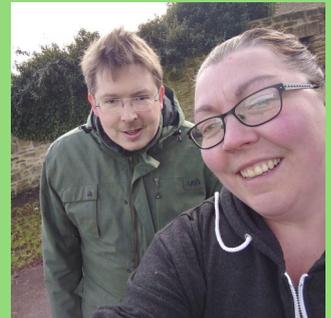
Cherie has been keeping in touch with as many of you as



Remember , if chatting online isn't your thing we can meet you for a socially distanced walk or a phone call.



she can and we love hearing how you are filling your time during lockdown. Its also been so great to see zoom parties with groups of volunteers!



Lockdown hasn't stopped orders coming into the warehouse! We are still sending out Vyner books to retail customers and last week Bruce and Claire packed up 2 big pallets for one of our trade customers that contained 1800 books!



Thanks to a grant from **National Lottery Community Fund** (Coronavirus Community Support Fund) we have been able to update our computers and provide laptops for some of our service leaders. This will allow more of our team to work effectively from home following government advice.

Have you got any questions about the Coronavirus vaccine?

We all want to protect ourselves and others as much as we can but making sure you have all the information you need will help you make the right decisions and feel more comfortable when you get offered your vaccine.

Watch this YouTube video from the NHS which answers some common questions about the job.

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