

Hi everyone- I hope you are all keeping fit and well.

Isn't it astonishing that it's a year ago this week we went into our first lockdown? I know the last 12 months have been a very difficult for some of you, but, hopefully, we are coming through to the other side now.

If there's one thing we've learned over the last year it's to assume nothing and this pandemic may have a few surprises yet! We can't let our guard down which is why we are still operating the same way we were before Christmas.

Rather than looking backwards we are looking forwards to

- More of you joining us as we expand our shifts over the next couple of months
- A colourful display of Easter eggs decorated by you in the Tans window from next week – thanks everyone who's sent them in – they are great
- Some excellent ideas for our "name the van competition" which we running this week
- Opening the Tans in May (fingers crossed!) and getting lunch club up and running again sometime after that
- Brighter, warmer and longer days – don't forget to put your clocks forward on Saturday night
- Easter – whether you're into eggs, lambs, flowers or bunnies there's something for you
- Being able to see friends outside as the "Rule of 6" returns next week

We have plenty to smile about! Stay safe #teamhextol

Bruce

## COMPETITION TIME!

Now we have 2 vans that are pretty similar, we need a way of telling them apart. We are inviting all of you to **name each of our vans** so we can easily identify them. So we want you to **enter the best names** you can think of and the winners will be chosen by anonymous vote. Make sure to send us your entries by **Sunday 4th April**. The **winner(s) will receive a prize** and the vans will receive their forever names!

Van 1



Van 2



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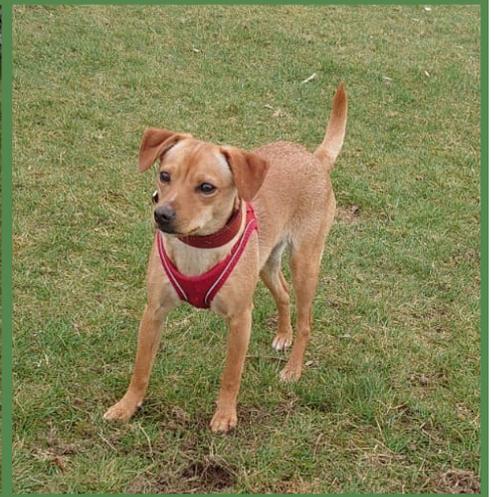
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What has everyone been up to this week? See how some of our staff and volunteers have been keeping busy.



Rebecca is very proud of her homemade pizza and rightly so! Cooking is a great activity to do when you have to stay home and you get to eat all of your delicious creations! If only you could share with the office Rebecca...

Michael is getting plenty of exercise walking his 2 dogs! One is a rescue from Cyprus and the other one came from Romania. So cute!



A couple of Cherie's walks out with our volunteers have been along Tyne Green to feed the ducks. They are so friendly and love bread!

This Friday 26th March is the last day you can send your Easter Eggs in for the Tans window display. We've had some wonderful ones so far so we can't wait to see how it looks all finished!