

Newsletter



January 2021



Wishing you all a very Happy & Healthy New Year from all of us at Margaret House

With best wishes

Gail & Thomas Kelly

New Covid Testing and Vaccinations for 2021

We have received notification that residents and staff will be receiving our 1st vaccination sometime during w/c 11 Jan. We do not know yet which vaccine we will be receiving. Additionally, as you may be aware, the Govt have now introduced new testing requirements for Care Home staff and therefore we are now testing all staff 3 times a week, rather than once a week.

The 1st test is the existing PCR test (which is sent away for results which come back in about 48-72 hrs). The 2nd and 3rd tests are done using the 'rapid' LFT tests which give a result within 30 minutes. Regular testing for residents currently remains monthly. In order to help with this increased testing and the associated logistics, including inputting the results of all these tests onto the Govt portal we have recruited Emma Kelly to be our dedicated Covid Liaison Officer.



Margaret House celebrates its 50th Anniversary in 2021



It was way back in 1971, the year that we first switched to decimal currency and when 5p would buy you a pint of milk and £5,000 a house that Thomas & Phylomena Kelly first opened the doors of Margaret House. Then, the home was just in the Old Rectory, but since taking over the running of the family business from his Father, Thomas spent 10 years planning and then building another 24 rooms which he opened in 2016, allowing us to now be able to provide a greater range of both residential and

dementia care across our 42 room. He named the new building after his late Mother.

Thomas said "the past 50 years have shown us that there is no one way to grow old. My wife, Gail and I, know that it's our residents and their families that have always been at the heart of our journey and it's ensuring their individual happiness and wellbeing that will continue to drive us to provide the best care that we can in the coming years and why we have and will remain a family run business. We are delighted to have reached this milestone and are look forward to marking the occasion with a number of different events throughout 2021"





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