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YOU ARE DOING

REALLY. REALLY.

The Supporter Newsletter



April 2024



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



Commit to being more active this month, starting today

Spend as much time as possible outdoors

Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do

Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water

Turn a regular activity into a playful game today

Do a bodyscan meditation and really notice how your body

Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening

Active April 2025

Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh

Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise

Have a day with less screen time and more movement

Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge

as possible, even if you're stuck inside

Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time

Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation

Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)

16 Go exploring around your and notice new things

Be active outside. Plant some seeds and encourage growth

Try out a new exercise, activity or dance class

Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often

'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables

Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day

Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it

Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour

Get active in nature. Feed spotting

Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself

Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes

Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil

Become an activist for a cause you really believe in

Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today







ACTION FOR HAPPINESS <

Happier · Kinder · Together



Termtime



Here at the College we're gearing up for an exciting summer term, offering a variety of new and existing free courses and workshops designed to support wellbeing.

This summer term, we'd love to know your thoughts on what you'd like to see on our blog pages. We've come to the end of our "a week in the life of" series with our team and want to offer you a new series, where you can learn more about us and the things we do. Get in touch with us at wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk or on 01924 316946 with your ideas for new blogs you'd like to see.

After feedback from our students, many years ago we changed our summer holiday period to be shorter and therefore enable students to attend courses at the end of August, before the school summer holidays finish. As a co-produced service, we want to know if this is still relevant. Please let us know if you would prefer for the College to:

- 1. Stay the same and start our autumn term the last week of August
- 2. Follow the Wakefield school holidays and start our term in September
- 3. Offer a small selection of workshops throughout the summer holidays (approximately one a week) and then start the autumn term in September

Let us know on wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk or on 01924 316946.

Term opening times

Open 8am-4pm Monday to Friday.

Winter term 20 January - 14 February 2025.

February half term 15 February - 23 February 2025.

Spring term 24 February - 4 April 2025.

Courses



Pottery



Caring for carers



Galaxy Painting



Confidence
– mind and
body
techniques







BADASS (a combat workout)

25/04/2025 10am-11am Normanton Understanding anxiety

28/04/2025 1pm-3pm Online

The History of LGBTQ+

06/05/2025 10.30am-12pm Pontefract

Recognising burnout

07/05/2025 1pm-3pm Online

An introduction to autism

08/05/2025 1pm-3pm Online

Freedom from fibromyalgia

12/05/2025 10am-12pm Online

Body image workshop

13/05/2025 1pm-3.30pm Online

Understanding depression

14/05/2025 1pm-3pm Online

Galaxy Painting

19/05/2025 10am-12pm Pontefract Your journey through relaxation

21/05/2025 1pm-3.30pm Online Confidence – mind and body techniques

22/05/2025 10.30am-1pm Online Learn how to macramé

> 02/06/2025 1pm-3pm Wakefield

Creative crafting

03/06/2025 9.45am-11.30am Pontefract

Scrapbooking for wellness

04/06/2025 1pm-3pm Wakefield

Understanding hearing voices

05/06/2025 1pm-3pm Online

Dementia – Positive Steps

05/06/2025 1pm-3.30pm Wakefield

Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946

Wakefield
Recovery and Wellbeing College
Home of the Discovery College



Understanding trauma responses and skill practice workshop

This workshop is designed for individuals who are experiencing difficulties following traumatic events, including PTSD, and those who support them. If you or someone you care about is struggling with the lasting effects of trauma, this session will help you understand why these reactions persist and teach practical strategies to manage the symptoms.

We hope to create a safe and supportive environment, in which we hope to explore:

Common Reactions to Trauma: Learn about the emotional, mental, and physical responses that can arise after experiencing distressing events.

Coping Strategies: Discover tools to manage symptoms such as flashbacks, anxiety, and sleep disturbances.

Rebuilding Your Life: Gain insights into healing and moving forward after a traumatic experience. You will not be asked to share personal details of your trauma during the session, but you will hopefully leave with useful skills and a deeper understanding of the path to recovery. Whether you're directly affected by PTSD or supporting someone who is, this workshop hopes to provide knowledge and resources to help navigate the challenges of trauma recovery.

The course has been developed by clinicians with extensive experience of working with trauma, alongside those who have had lived experience.

Wednesday, 10th September 2025, 10am-12pm

St. Giles' Centre, St. Giles' Church, Market Place, Pontefract, WF8 1AT



Face to face 16+



Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946







Confidence - mind & body techniques

This course is for anyone who wants to build their confidence. The course will cover both physical and mental techniques that can be used to boost confidence. With increased confidence, you will be able to believe in yourself, your abilities, and your hopes. We will gather, share, and learn together, encouraging each other in our journey to a more confident self.

22nd May 2025- 10.30am-1.00pm



Online 16+



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Understanding hearing voices

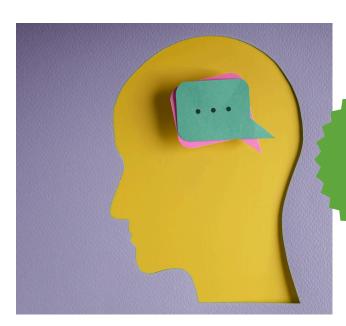
Did you know that the experience of hearing voices that other people do not is more common than many of us realise? Are you interested in developing an understanding of what the experience of hearing voices may mean to you or someone you care about.

During this 2 hour workshop that is usually co-facilitated by someone with lived experience and someone with professional experience, we will talk about:

- how common hearing voices is
- different ways of understanding hearing voices
- some useful ways that people have found to help with hearing voices

Please check out our blog for our newsletter article about hearing voices and the Wakefield hearing voices network.

05th June 2025- 1.00pm-3.00pm



Online 16+



FREE course



Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946



Understanding self-harm

Join Steph and Suzanne for this 2-hour workshop aimed to help you feel more comfortable talking about self-harm. Through interactive activities we will consider the how's and why's surrounding this topic, as well as dispelling the myths associated with self-harm. We will also consider how you can best support someone who harms as well as different coping strategies, people harm themselves in more ways than what would be commonly thought, and this course helps us understand this better.

Co-produced by Steph, a Peer Support Worker, who has a long history of self-harm, this workshop comes from a unique perspective. Although self-harm is still a taboo subject that makes many feel uncomfortable, it is more common than you think with many people going under the radar as they may not seek help for their injuries.

This workshop incorporates discussion and activities in a safe and supportive environment.

17th September 2025 - 1pm-3pm



Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946







we're building an entire city so there's lots of opportunity to get your name on a building!

Creative Minds

Next S.M.a.S.H meeting

Monday 14th April

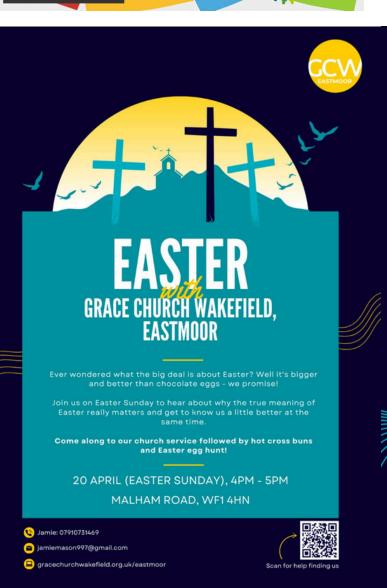
12 noon till 2pm

Airedale library

WF10 3JJ



Drop in for a brew and a friendly chat, Anyone and Everyone welcome





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GRACE CHURCH WAKEFIELD, EASTMOOR

LAUNCH

Come celebrate the launch of GCW Eastmoor with us!

SUNDAY 13TH APRIL | 3.30 - 5PM MALHAM ROAD, WF1 4HN

Our usual Sunday service with some added extras:











Join us to talk about how we can improve local social care services and have our voices heard!



Tuesday 15 April 2025 10.15 am to 12.00 noon



West Wakefield Methodist Church



Thornes Road Wakefield WF2 8OR



Light refreshments



All welcome!

All types of social care services covered



Hear from Carers Wakefield & District about what they do and how they can help.

If you need more information call us on 01924 787379.

No need to book, just turn up!



TRUSTEES WANTED

WE ARE LOOKING FOR TRUSTEES TO WORK ALONGSIDE OUR EXISTING BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

We are looking for individuals who are passionate about ensuring that the carers of Wakefield District are appropriately supported and valued and who would like to have a say in the direction that our organisation takes.

If you are able to commit to giving one and a half hours of your time every two months to attend our Trustee meeting, plus occasional additional meetings, then please get in touch with our

CEO. Justine Bilton on 01924 305544 or email justineb@carerswakefield.org.uk for an informal discussion.

Do you have fibromyalgia?





We're looking for volunteers to try Elyfia, a brand new pain management app, and give us feedback on using it

The app offers coaching to help you manage your Fibromyalgia with continuous 1-2-1, individualised and personal assistance.

You'll get access to a comprehensive video library, instant messaging and a

Interested?

Sign up and we will be in touch to ask you about your experience - how you are finding it, the good bits, the stuff you don't like and how you would like to see it changed.

Research is by phone and we'll talk you

And, we'll give you a voucher for your time

Want to help us? Then:

- 1. Download Elyfia from your app
- 2. Contact Kathryn. Dewey@nhs.net to register your interest
- 3.We'll get in touch to let you know what happens next



This is your opportunity to help improve care for yourself and others







select mental health option Are you in a mental health crisis?



Are you an artist or venue interested in taking part in ArtWalk?

Join our informal drop-in session have a coffee, and chat with a member of our team.

When: Thursday April 17th Ham-

12pm

Where: CoffeeWrite, Wakefield,

WF1 1NX



Monday 14th April
12 noon till 2pm
Airedale library



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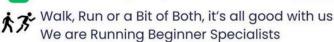




D Tuesdays 7-8pm







Everyone's welcome, Nobody's ever left behind Scan the QR Code to book or call us on 01924 677123





What is the C-Card free condom scheme?

- A scheme which allows young people to access condoms lube, dental dams and STI testing free of charge from a variety of access points across the district
- a variety of access points across the district
 A confidential service for young people under 25
 13 15 year olds register at our C-Card Hubs where trained professionals guide young people through the registration process



If you are over 16 and want to order condoms scan this QR code.

spectrum-sexualhealth.org.uk



We are here when you need us.





Our workshops provide an opportunity to share ideas in a small, friendly group, and learn practical skills for use in everyday life

Open to anyone aged 18+, living in the Wakefield district, or registered with a Wakefield GP, and looking to improve their wellbeing

Managing Fatigue with Health **Conditions - Workshop**

By learning practical tools and techniques together with others it could help you manage the way chronic fatigue makes you feel - helping you to feel more in control of your health and wellbeing

Focus of the workshop:

- Learning how to keep a fatigue/activity diary
- Managing symptoms such as 'brain fog'
- Looking at how fatigue can affect our mind and body
- Practising techniques to help conserve energy levels
- Challenging negative thinking and tools to stay positive

There's no writing involved and no pressure to speak out in front of others

When does the workshop take place?

Monday 28 April 2025, 11:00 - 12:00 PM.

Where do workshops take place, and what do I need to join?

Online via the free Microsoft Teams app. You will need either a smartphone, computer or tablet, an email address, and an internet connection.

For more information please contact us: (Workshop dates are also available on our website)







Support for any **16-30 year old** who is an Adult Child of an Alcoholic and lives in the Wakefield District.

Services available:

- 1-2-1 Support
- Counselling
- Family Mediation
- Creative Groups
- Online Workshops



01924 787501

For those who are interested in improving their personal and professional lives by raising their self awareness of how their parent's alcoholism affects them.





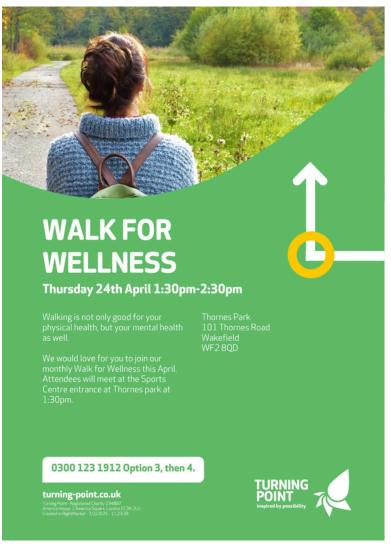
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Traits of an ACOA.





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Wednesdays 9.30am-12noon.

Lst george's

Book a 30 min slot or drop in

- St George's Community Centre,
 Broadway, Lupset Wakefield WF2 8AA
- info@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk
- 01924 369631





What's on Guide 2025

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Appletree Women's Group 10:30am -12:30pm Agbrigg Rd, WF1 5AE, follow the long drive opposite newland st

Newsletter Group 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Online Via Teams

> Appletree Community Garden 9:30am-4pm Agbrigg Rd, WF1 5AE follow the long drive opposite newland st

Community Outreach Drop In 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Pontefract Library, Shoemarket, Pontefract. WF8 1BD

Lego Cafe 1-3pm Tieve Tara Medical Centre WF10 2QP

I.T Support Group 10.30 am - 12pm

Wakefield One Library, Burton Street, Wakefield, WF1 2EB

> Community Garden 10am-4pm Agbrigg Rd, WF1 5AE, follow the long drive

Appletree

Arts & Crafts Group 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Foundation Housing

WF1 1TX

Morning Meet Up 9:45-11:45am opposite newland st Tieve Tara Medical Centre WF10 2QP Alternate weeks starting 26th Feb 2025

Thursday

Newmillerdam Walking Group 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Meet In Main Car Park. Newmillerdam Country Park, WF2 6QP

Community Outreach Drop In 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Salvation Army Centre, 4 Vicarage St. South. WF1 1QX

Craft & Chinwag

12:30pm - 2:30pm Tieve Tara Medical Centre Park Drive, Castleford WF102QP

Cook & Eat 10 am - 12pm

Foundation Housing, Trinity House, Trinity Church Gate, WF1 1TX

Friday

Community Hope Peer Outreach Drop In Support Group 1.30 am - 1.30pm 1pm - 3:00pm

Salvation Army, Booth Street, Castleford, WF10 1SA

Creative

Writing Group 10 - 11:30am Wakefield Library, WF1 2EB Alternate weeks starting 21st Feb 2025.

Foundation Housing WF1 1TX

> Appletree Community Garden 9:30am-4pm Agbrigg Rd, WF1 5AE, follow the long drive opposite newland st

Saturday

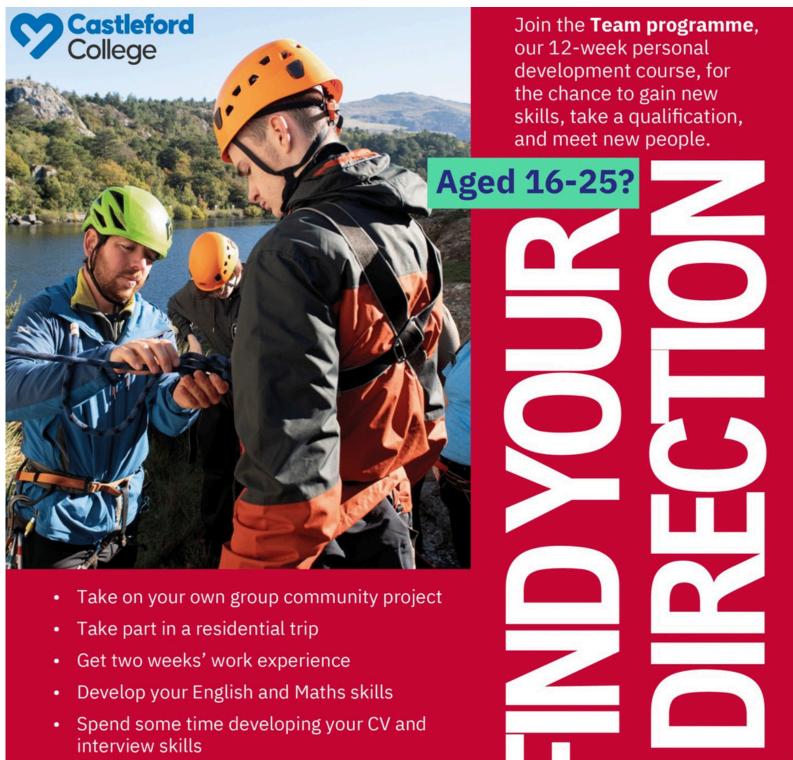
Appletree Community Garden

10am-2pm Agbrigg Rd, WF1 5AE, follow the long drive opposite newland st

Tieve Time 10:30am-1pm

> Tieve Tara Medical Centre WF10 2QP

For further information contact Spectrum People on spectrumpeople@spectrum-cic.nhs.uk

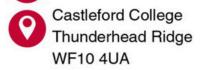


Contact us to book your place or scan the QR code:









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In partnership with The King's Trust



Volunteer with us!

April 2025

Socials + Courses for Adults

Mondays

6.45-8pm

Table Tennis

Starting 28th April

1.15-2.15pm

Reiki + Mindfulness

2.30-3.30pm Adaptive Chair Yoga

Each course costs £4 a week, running for 4 weeks.

Thursdays

10.30-11.30am Coffee + CHAT.

1-2.30pm

Craftu Chat at the Church. £1pp.

1-2.30pm

Thursday Leisure Club (TLC)

1.30-3.30pm First so

Singing for Fun at Jubilee Hall. £3pp.

St George's Community Centre, Broadway, Lupset WF2 8AA

Tuesdaus

10:30am-12.30pm

Cake and Conversation.

12.30-1.30pm

Fridays

transport £3.

@ 01924 369631

1.30-3pm Coming soon!

Friday Social Club,

Lunch at the Church.

No Bulls Hit, our men's darts and dominoes social

12.30-2pm New transport deal!

Friday Lunch Club. £7pp

+ optional door-to-door

movies, quizzes, games

and more (fortnightly).

info@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk

www.stgeorgeslupset.org.uk

Wednesdays 9.30am-12noon

All Things Digital. Book a 30min slot or drop in for support with your

9.30-11.30am

Cycling for Fun at Thornes Athletic Stadium. £3.40pp.

10-11am

Chair Exercise. £4pp.

Courses + Workshops

2nd April, 10am-12noon Workshop. £3

Starting 7th April

17th April, 9.30-11.30am Decoupage Easter Bunny. £3.

Starting 25th April

30th April, 10am-12noon Cuddly Toy Workshop, £5





st george's

April 2025

Children. Young People + Families

Little ones + their families

Tuesdaus, 10.30-11.30am

Jiggle & Jives Stay, Play and Music, West Wakefield Methodist Church.

For children ages 0-5 and their parents/ carers. £2 for the first child and £1 each for additional children.

Wednesday mornings

Rhyme Time

Prices + booking info at rhythmtime.net/west-yorkshire-south.

Fridays, 9.30-10.30am

Baby Weigh + Play

Please note we're taking a break 4th-18th April and will return on Friday 25th at our original venue: St George's Community Centre.

Please contact Anne-Marie on 07956 266144 for more info.

Coming soon...

Maternal Journal - 5 week course starting 25th April, 11am-12noon.

Please contact Anne-Marie on 07956 266144 for more info

Young Futures ages 7-18

Mondaus

3-4.30pm

Youth work around Lupset. Various locations, all ages. Come say hi!

6-7.30pm

Youth Café at Jubilee Hall. Ages 13+.

Tuesdaus

4-5.30pm

A-Z Youth Café. Ages 7-12.

Thursdays

3.45-5.15pm

Spokes - bike repairs and maintenance. Ages 7+.

5.30-7.30pm

Tech Zone in Young Futures office. Ages 11+

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Connect Café in Young Futures office. Age 7+.

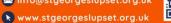
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To find out more about Future SELPH visit www.futureselph.co.uk

a time - weeklu

George's - weekly.

meets fortnightly

Dragons.

Current groups:

Mondays

Tuesdaus

Wednesdays

Thursdays

We support 16-25 year olds to develop an improved sense of mental health and wellbeing.

As part of this we run one to one support sessions and small group sessions.

- . One to one support enables you to work on personal goals with a named worker.
- · Our group sessions help you to connect with others, learn new skills and have some fun



Clothing

Walk-in Wardrobe

open for appointments!

Providing clothes, toiletries, sanitary items and other

essentials to families in need.

April 2025

Services + Support

Monday - Friday, 9am-2pm

Providing a variety of homemade food and drinks at reasonable prices.

Employability

things jobs

Pensions (DWP)

Tuesdays, 2-3pm

Drop-in for support from

Tuesdays, 10am-12noon

Drop-in for help from the

General Advice

Drop-in for support from

Citizens Advice on all sorts

from housing to consumer rights, the law to benefits.

Tuesdays, 10am-12noon

Department for Work and

Step-Up Employability on all

We run four quality, not-forprofit nurseries:

Broadway (Lupset), Sandal, St Swithun's (Eastmoor) and Sunbeam (Lupset).

Our community centre has: a board game + toy library, community book swap, free wi-fi, f, litter pick equipment (to borrow), local info,

minibus and room hire

Blood Pressure Checks Drop-in to the centre for your

numbers + helpful info. NHS Smokefree Yorkshire Bookable appointments, Mondays 4-7pm. Information sessions Wednesdays 1-2pm.

Call 01924 252174 to register and book

Money and Debt 🧯

Drop-in for advice from Leeds Credit Union. They can help people build a financial safety net, build or repair a Tuesdays, 10am-2pm borrower's credit rating.

COME VISIT US!

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www.stgeorgeslupset.org.uk

Struggling to get food on the table? Talk to us. We can provide emergency

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food parcels (referrals only) and run a food pantry (paid membership).

Wellbeing

Change, Hope and Transition (CHAT) 1-2-1s Experiencing low mood, grief, anxiety, loss of confidence or struggling with recent life changes? We can help.

chat@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk Connect West Wakefield

Our community connector can help you get out and about and feel less isolated. We'll work together to make small positive changes to help you achieve the goals

connect@staeoraeslupset.ora.uk

Turning Point Talking Therapies

Free talking therapies from qualified professionals, on your doorstep at St George's Book on 01924 234860.

PLUS Minecraft group - various dates.

Upcoming groups:

Our successful Neuro-Inclusion Group is returning life hacks for neurodiverse young adults.

Adulting 101 - Getting to grips with the challenges of being an adult - from how to read laundry abels to making friends as an adult.

To refer uourself

RESPECT boxing program - from fury to focus one punch at

Budgeting with Mick- a useful and practical budgeting course

Art and crafts with Janet - no art skills required to attend.

Supporting mindfulness and social opportunities at St

Dungeons and Dragons - fantastical and friendly group -

Walking group - for local walks with some bigger trips on the

horizon - meets fortnightly, alternates with Dungeons and

Call: 01924 330 267 Text: 07379 120 168

Email: futureSELPH@stgeorgeslupset.org.uk





FREE EMOTIONAL WELLBEING WORKSHOPS



Delivered by our Talking Therapies staff and co-produced by experts by experience, our informal workshop sessions have been designed to provide you with useful techniques and coping strategies to help improve your mental health and wellbeing.



As well as providing you with useful information about common mental health symptoms.

To access you need to be aged 16+ and be registered with a Wakefield District GP.

For more information and to book your place onto any workshop, scan the QR code, or contact us on the below:

- talking.turning-point.co.uk/workshops
- **Q** 01924 234 860
- wakefield.talking@turning-point.co.uk

MANAGING ANXIETY AND WORRY

Wed 23rd Apr: 12:00pm - 13:30pm

COMBATTING LOW MOOD

Sun 27th Apr: 11:00am - 12:30pm

IMPROVING SLEEP

Sat 17th May: 10:30am - 12:00pm

LIVING WITH CHRONIC PAIN

Wed 21st May: 12:30pm - 14:00pm

KEEP MOVING FORWARD

Wed 28th May: 12:00pm - 13:30pm

*All are delivered via TEAMS, unless otherwise stated.

WELLBEING AT WORK

Wed 4th June: 12:00pm - 13:30pm

CARING FOR CARERS

Wed 11th June: 12:00pm - 13:30pm

GRIEF AND DEPRESSION F2F

(Talking Therapies Wakefield, 57 Kirkgate, Wakefield, WF1 1HX)

Thurs 26th June: 18:00pm - 19:30pm



TURNING POINT TALKING THERAPIES







Windmill of Past Youth

You sold us treats

Eyes open with wonder at sweetmeats

We came every year

Your sails aloft and clear

We visited many times
To spend a dime
Colours bright
A welcoming sight
For kites and toys
To enjoy
Sand in shoe
Racing on the beach kites flew

But time moves on
That memory nearly gone
You started to fall
As I recall
Your sails fell, top lost
At what cost

Then childhood sadly fades
And memory shades

And we came no more

To that wonderful store Magic of youth missed Now ceased to exist Years passed And we didn't know if you'd last

Until one day
we knew you were for restore
And be there for evermore
A windmill to save
From that demolition grave

We returned

to experience the delight

Memories flooding back to the site

Of sails and top restored

To strike again that memory chord

Standing proud as before

Alas no toy store:

But we don't need that anymore

Maybe in days to come there will be new cheer
Another toy shop will appear
You stood the test of years it seems
And one day will make more childhood dreams

Ode to Medmerry Windmill Selsey
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Notes

This was a windmill that had become a toy shop in the days of holidays in the area as a child. It was a former working mill and then fell into disuse. It became a toy shop lost its sails (sales?) and eventually the top was damaged and carried on as a half mill.

Years went by and it fell into disuse altogether and last year we went in search of it and I was informed that it had been restored. Unfortunately it is in a car park and restricted but discovered that it is still there albeit not in working order hopefully one day it will be back.



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