

# CASTLE HOUSE

## Care Home

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Welcome to our APRIL ISSUE 2026 monthly newsletter



HOPING YOU ALL HAD A  
WONDERFUL  
EASTER!

## THE MEANING OF EASTER

### Maundy Thursday

This is the Thursday before Easter Day.

On Maundy Thursday Christians remember when Jesus ate the **Passover meal** with his disciples, breaking bread and drinking wine. Christians refer to this meal as the **Last Supper**.

Many Christians remember the Last Supper by sharing bread and wine together in a church service called Holy Communion, Eucharist or Mass. It is a reminder that Jesus sacrificed his life for mankind

### Good Friday

Good Friday is the Friday before Easter Sunday. It commemorates the execution of Jesus by **crucifixion**.

Good Friday is a day of mourning in church. During special Good Friday services Christians remember Jesus's suffering and death on the cross, and what this means for their faith.

In some countries, there are special Good Friday processions, or re-enactments of the Crucifixion.

### Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday marks Jesus's **resurrection**. After Jesus was crucified on the Friday his body was taken down from the cross and buried in a cave tomb. The tomb was guarded by Roman soldiers and an enormous stone was put over the entrance.

On Sunday **Mary Magdalene** and some of Jesus's disciples visited the tomb. They found the stone had been moved and that Jesus's body had gone. Jesus was seen later that day by Mary and the disciples, and for forty days afterwards by many people. His followers realised that God had raised Jesus from the dead. Christians call this the resurrection.

### **Easter eggs**

An egg is a symbol of new life. For Christians, Easter eggs are used as a symbol for the resurrection of Jesus.

Christians believe that, through his resurrection, Jesus overcame death and sin. This offers people the promise of eternal life if they follow his teachings.

Nowadays, most Easter eggs are made from chocolate and covered in coloured foil. Traditionally though, chicken eggs would be hard boiled and then decorated by hand. Traditional Easter egg hunts remain popular with both Christian and non-Christian children.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

- *Not only a present but the Easter bunny arrived with a scrumptious Easter Egg to enjoy for all our residents*
- *Our Easter raffle amounted to £149.00 – well done to all those who contributed prizes and bought tickets – all funds went to the residents fund.*
- *Our new resident George had a wonderful outing to town visiting the secret garden and having a lovely cup of tea with cake!*
- *Plenty of activities have gone on with puzzles, painting and drawing, making and decorating Easter baskets and when the sun came out we sat outside admiring the flowers and chatting with friends. Sophie and Cherri came in with the baby boys and everyone wanted a cuddle. A super morning with Fine Floral Design and their wonderful selection of flowers they brought in for our ladies to arrange plus the dream tree leaves are in full swing with residents' wishes for the coming year now going up. Lucy the PAT dog enjoyed sitting on laps and having plenty of strokes & Reiki massage sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by our ladies and gents*
- *Once again, birthdays have been enjoyed by staff and residents alike*

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# April 2026



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		April Fools day! Walk into town from 10.30 am	World Autism Awareness Day Easter themed Workshop with Wendy and Mark from 10.30	Good Friday Bank Holiday		Easter Sunday
Easter Monday Bank Holiday	World Health Day. Join us for a morning of games and puzzles. Weekly Exercise with Andrew	Puzzle group from 10.30 am Afternoon walk to town from 1.45 pm	Massage and reflexology with Rainbow Therapies from 10 am Enjoy a pamper and a manicure today.	PAT visit with Lucy and Jane 10 - 11 am Jewellery making from 1.45 pm		
Floral Workshop from 10.30 am	Morning walk into town. Weekly Exercise with Andrew from 1.30pm	World Art Day. Painting pictures from 10.30 am Puzzle group from 2pm	Join us for games and quizzes in the lounge today.	PAT visit with Lucy and Jane 10-11 am Afternoon Walk into town from 1.45 pm		
Morning walk into town from 10.30 am	National Tea Day! Puzzle group from 10.30 am. Weekly Exercise with Andrew	Earth Day. Gardening and planting flowers for the pots at Castle	St. George's Day! Massage and reflexology Rainbow Therapies from 10 am Mini Concerts: Beatles story 2-3pm	PAT Visit with Lucy and Jane 10-11 am Puzzle group from 2pm		
Making Sun Catchers from 10.30 am	Father Steve visiting from 11 am Weekly Exercise with Andrew	Games and quizzes in the lounge today!	International Jazz Day	Puzzle group from 10.30 am A walk into town from 1.45pm		







*To our resident*

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*To our staff*

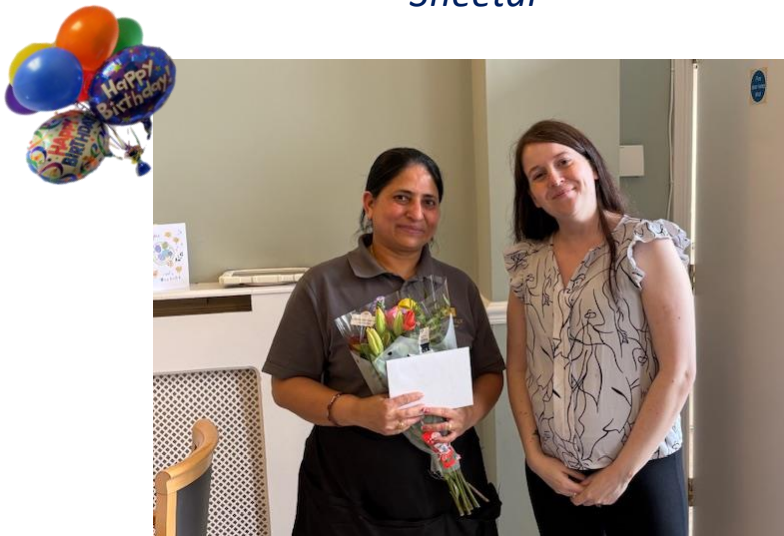
*Ellie-May*



*Bijoy*



*Sheetal*



Answers to last months teaser puzzles:

Answer 1) Legs were 34 – 32 animal legs plus 2 human

Answer 2) SPAIN – The number split has to be 19-16-1-9-14. If they were single digit letters it would not make a name of a country!

To test your little grey cells this month!!

(answers in next months newsletter)

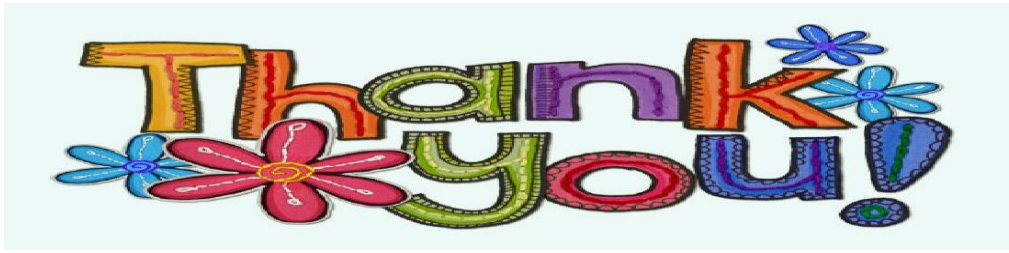
Question 1) What word is represented by the times on the clock below



Question 2) I saw this newspaper headline on a skiing trip – which word is the odd one out?

Skiing officials allegedly announce accidents will soon require immediate attention

Once again, a big



to all the staff for keeping everyone safe and well

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