

ORWELL NEWS



Spring 2020



Pictured (left) a wonderful winter 'Shepherds Delight' sunrise over Orwell Healthcare in early January.



Convalescence at Orwell Healthcare

We ran our first advertising campaign in The Irish Times during November and December to build awareness of our Convalescence unit. We're very pleased with the increased enquiries from both hospitals and families. The Elgin Convalescence Unit is based at Orwell Private and has 13 ensuite rooms to aid post operative care, respite and bone recovery. The Convalescence programme has our Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy teams at the core of each individual programme to ensure the best results.

Now You See It..Now You Don't!

Busted! Dublin City Council removing the graffiti at the entrance of The Dodder Park. Ray & Scot did a terrific job and had the most horrible graffiti cleaned in no time.

Clean environs make such a difference to residents, staff members and of course it's all part of our green philosophy so we are very grateful indeed.



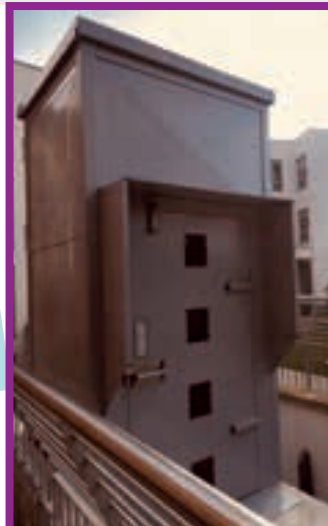
CHANGE IS IN THE AIR.....

THE CAFÉ
ON THE AVENUE

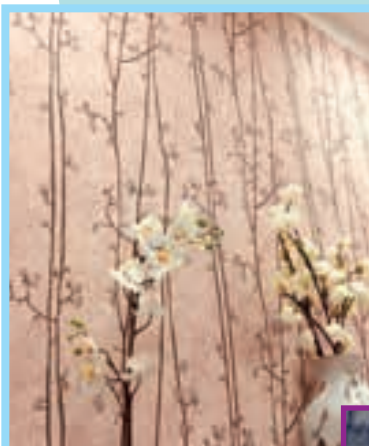
The Café on The Avenue is undergoing a transformation. Walls have been knocked and equipment moved around to accommodate a new look and feel for the customer. It is still a work in progress but certainly combining the Shop and Café area was a great plan!



A new service lift is being put in position this week just outside the Training Room with the upper tier leading out to the garden gate. This lift will radically change how goods are taken in and it will cut out the noise and wasted time of unnecessary trips through corridors. A camera bell has been installed at the gate for additional security as we implement this change. Another positive is our suppliers vans will then move faster from the car park freeing up much needed parking.



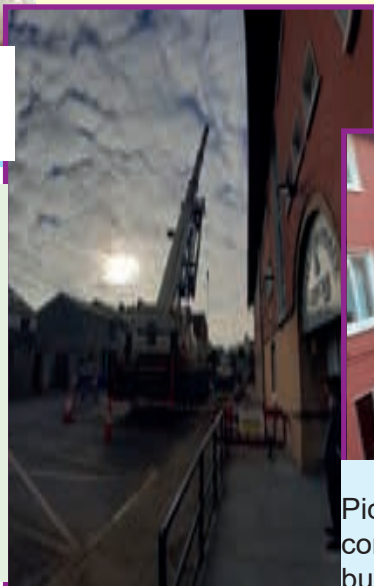
The Orwell Dining Room has a touch of the Oriental about it since the wallpaper was replaced. We've had lots of positive feedback about the cheerful shade and tableclothes have been added to compliment the ensemble.



The new floral wallpaper in Orwell is complete.

Meanwhile, at Orwell Queen of Peace plans of transformation are at a different scale entirely as we embark on developing and upgrading from 46 rooms to over 100. As part of the first phase, we have received the temporary dayrooms and they're been put in place as we go to print. It was a big operation involving articulated trucks and a 130 tonne crane but we have them in place now and they will be in operation in the coming weeks.

Pictured (Right) Dawn arrival of the temporary dayrooms at Orwell Queen of Peace. The entire operation was seamless and the day rooms will be in use from early February.



Pictured Above - The link has commenced between the main building and the temporary day



Bright, clear cold mornings have helped accelerate progress at the site.

LOOKING BACK



2020

STAFF PARTY

JANUARY 11TH, SATURDAY
THE SPAWELL, TEMPLEOGUE
FROM 7:00 PM - 1AM

EMPLOYEE AWARDS, RAFFLE
COMPLIMENTARY FOOD, BAND, DJ
& 2 DRINK VOUCHERS

Please sign the sheet below to attend



Staff at Orwell Healthcare recently enjoyed their end of year/ Christmas/ New Year's Party at The Spawell, Templeogue. An award ceremony was held on the night to acknowledge the work of the Quality Initiative Teams as well as the Employee of the Year in both Orwell Queen of Peace and Orwell Private. We're pleased to announce the winning Quality Initiative Team for 2019 was The Falls Prevention Team. Their programme of Falls awareness, education and prevention spanned 6 months last year and each month promoted a different theme and objective. There was great engagement in the programme from residents, family members and staff resulting in a decrease in falls and a clearer understanding of fall causes and hazards.

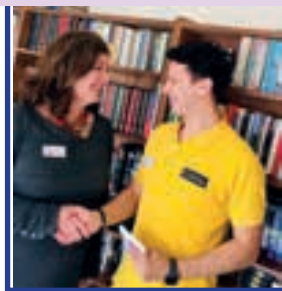
The Employee of the Year for Orwell Queen of Peace was Eli Sentiveanu from our Activities Team. There was huge applause and acknowledgement of the work our Activities Team do day to day to support the interests and develop the well being of our residents. Eli is a huge part of the Queen of Peace team and a popular choice with his colleagues. Well done Eli! At Orwell Private the winner of the Employee of the Year 2019 award went to a member of our night staff. Yasmine Dederally, Healthcare Assistant is a very worthy winner for her caring nature, dedication to her job and the fact she's always a team player. Yasmine, you're very much appreciated by those that work alongside you and we thank you.



Staff enjoying the night out!



The winning Quality Initiative Team 2019 - Falls Prevention



Eli - Employee of the Year OQOP pictured with Dr. Mary Jones



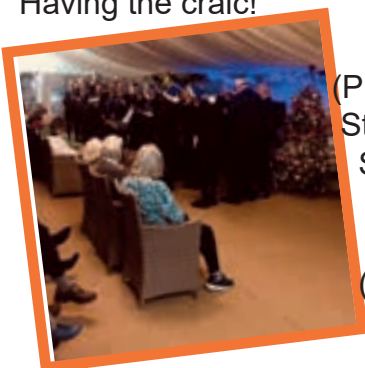
Yasmine - winner of Employee of the Year OP pictured with Laura Dunne

THE MARQUEE

The Marquee at Christmas was a great addition for our Activities Team to roll out larger scale entertainment for residents and families to enjoy. It provided the perfect space to have local schools, bands, choirs, theatrical groups and much more come in to Orwell and delight our audience. We're pleased to announce the marquee will return at the end of March.



Having the craic!



(Pictured Left)
St. Mary's College Singers



(Pictured Right)
Firhouse Choir

Santa visit for staff children



Something to look forward to.....

CLIVE IS GOING TO SKYDIVE

Support Clive's Skydive Dream by coming along to his coffee morning on Monday 24th February 9am - 11am



The Cafe on The Avenue, Orwell Private.

Looking forward to the pub nights next week which are always very well attended. The first will take place at The Cafe on The Avenue in Orwell Private on Monday 3rd February and the second will be at Orwell Queen of Peace on Tuesday 4th. There will be traditional music, drink, Craic & Ceoil for all to enjoy. Do let a member of the Activities Team know if you wish to attend.



It may not feel like it but Spring is on it's way. The evidence is all around the garden with bulbs and plants bursting through in the last week and even some daffodils starting to take shape.... bring it on!

The Orwell Men's Shed meet every Thursday at 11.30am

The Men's Shed is a fun place for residents who have an interest in **GARDENING** and **DIY**. A place to chat and make new friends. A place to share and learn skills.

If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please let the Nurse in Charge know. The Nurse in Charge can complete a referral form and send to the Men's Shed Team.

If you have any questions please contact OT Kat on extension 5013.

We look forward to hearing from you!



ONE DECISION CAN CHANGE THE FUTURE

THE GENERAL ELECTION VOTE WILL TAKE PLACE AT ORWELL HEALTHCARE TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY.



Pictured - Some of the Men's Shed members completing bird table project project.



The annual Valentine's Tea Dance takes place on Friday 14th February at the Evergreen Club in Terenure. We have some very keen participants from OQOP and OP for some music, dancing, light refreshment and you never know....a little romance! The Orwell Mini bus will be hitting the road to ensure everyone arrives safely and on time!

And of course the vote.....

We are on the cusp of a general election and ballot boxes have already been and gone to Orwell Queen of Peace and Orwell Private. All those eligible to vote had their opportunity in a private forum with Garda supervision on Tuesday 28th January...now all we have to do is wait and see what numbers are added on Saturday 8th February and we'll have a new government!

