Shared Reading at White Rose Care Home

**Date/Time/Attended Resources Used**

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| First Visit  VH, SP & ML + 13 | Poetry   * It was Long Ago by Eleanor Farjeon * Let’s go to Barry Island, Maggie fach by Idris Davies * Confidence * If by Rudyard Kipling * You are Old, Father William by Lewis Carroll * Flanders Field by John McCrae * If you think you are beaten you are * VoG poem leaflet |
| Second Visit  SP & ML + 18 | Poetry   * Bells of Rhymney by Idris Davies * When April Came to Rhymney by Idris Davies * In the Little Italian Shop by Idris Davies * The Optimists Creed by Christian Larson * Oh, I wish I’d Looked after me teeth by Pam Ayres * The Owl and the Pussy-Cat by Edward Lear * Daffodils by William Wordsworth * Continuities by Walt Whitman   Pictures to Share   * Proverbs & Sayings p. 15 |
| Third Visit  VH & SB + 16 | Poetry   * The Soldier by Rupert Brooke * Hope is the thing with Feather by Emily Dickinson * My Get up and go got up and went * Just a Wonder * Don’t Quit by Edgar A. Guest * Touch of the Master’s Hand by Myra Brooks Welch * Sea Fever by John Masefield * Stopping by woods on a snowy evening by Robert Frost   Pictures to Share   * Childhood Days: Leisure by W H Davies |
| Last Pilot Visit  VH, SP & ML + 12 | Poetry   * Signs by Edgar A Guest * At Christmas by Edgar A Guest * T’was the Night Before Christmas by Major Henry Livingstone Jr * Christmas Stocking by Eleanor Farjeon * In the Bleak Mid Winter by Christina Rosetti * First Snow in the Street by Brian Patten * A Star in the East by Idris Davies * Christmas Snow by Denise Rodgers * Believe by Denise Rodgers * December Twenty-Sixth by Denise Rodgers   Pictures to Share   * Family Life in Pictures (Twas the Night poem) |

Quotes from the residents:

“It’s nice, it’s lovely, it breaks up the week”

“Very enjoyable”

“Don’t leave us too long!”

“Very kind to come”

“Something different”

“Lovely pictures” (Pictures to Share)

“I remember trees like that” (Pictures to Share reminiscing)

“Isn’t that perfect” (Pictures to Share)

Quotes from the staff:

“Thank you for giving them a lovely morning”

“They all thoroughly enjoy the sessions and get so much out of the poetry visits”

“We talk about the poems after the sessions and keep copies to reread them”

AIM:

* To engage with a new group and to promote library resources, such as Pictures to Share.

OUTCOMES:

* Good attendance figures at each session (see above evidence in table)
* CLs have observed increased interaction each session from the residents.
* Pictures to Share incorporated into the sessions.

AIM:

* To promote health & wellbeing through shared reading.

OUTCOMES:

* Positive feedback from care home staff and residents (See above quotes).
* Each session they have requested poems.