



A balanced diet rich in nutrients and regular water intake is important for our physical and mental health, and helps us recharge our batteries. Why not try a new energy-boosting recipe today?







# Give back

Caring for others and giving some of our time back to help can make us feel valued and give us a sense of purpose. Research shows that just one act of kindness a week can increase our sense of wellbeing.

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# Take a break

In our busy lives it can be hard to stop, but taking regular breaks, including breaks at work, and time off, reduces stress and re-energises the body and mind.



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Even happy events can cause stress in our lives. When it goes unaddressed for too long, stress can trigger mental and physical health issues.

ADDRESS YOUR STRESS

#### Some common sources of stress include:

#### Life changes

Leaving home, getting married or having children

Divorce or relationship breakdown

Health scares or physical illness

Accidents or bereavement

Legal issues, arrest or imprisonment

#### **Emotional**

Peer pressure

Conflicting cultural values and beliefs

Coping with uncertainty



#### Physical

Late nights or lack of routine

Poor diet

Misuse of alcohol or drugs



#### Environmental

Poor housing or accommodation problems

Social isolation

Unemployment

Adjusting to new environments such as moving house or travel

Financial pressures



#### Changes at work

Starting a new job

Coping with an increased workload or a promotion

Poor relationships with colleagues or managers

Redundancy, or the fear of it



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There are simple steps you can take to #AddressYourStress. Check out our resources at mhfaengland.org

## Military Veterans' Service



News of the withdrawal of both UK and US military forces from Afghanistan has significantly impacted many in our Armed Forces & Veterans Community. Strong emotional reactions are normal and there is no right or wrong way to feel about the emerging situation. This news may evoke distress, memories and dreams

#### Things that can help:



Have a plan of things to do that you enjoy, bring you comfort or relaxation or occupy your mind

Check in with others who may be struggling but make sure you still take care of yourself



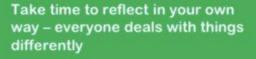


Think about how much time you spend watching the news or on social media, switch them off if it isn't helping

Get exercise and eat well

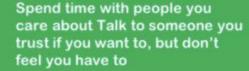


Take off any unnecessary pressures





Ground yourself – Use your sight, hearing, touch, taste and smell to ground yourself.









Keeping in a routine can be helpful

#### MY GRIEF JOURNEY





## **Anxiety Management Group**

- Do you struggle with anxious thoughts and feelings?
- Do you find it a struggle to relax?
- Does anxiety affect your sleep, mood or physical health?

If your answer to any of the above questions is 'YES', then why not join us at Olive Branch on Castle Street, Edgeley, on a Thursday afternoon?



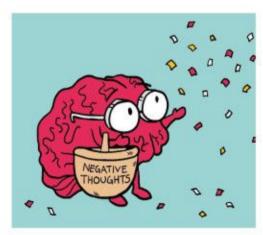
The group will look at tried and tested methods for managing and reducing anxiety, and will give you the chance to try some of them out. Part 1 of the group lasts 4 weeks, followed by Part 2 for another 4 weeks for those who choose to continue.

The group will start on 9th September and sessions run from 2:30-4pm.

If you want to take part, please email Jaine and Sharen on

olivecommunityproject@gmail.com

Look forward to working with you!



### Shop well, Cook well, Eat well

- Would you like to learn some new cooking skills?
- Do you rely too much on convenience foods?
- Would you like to eat more healthy (and tasty) meals?

If your answer to any of the above questions is 'YES', then why not join us at Olive Branch on Castle Street, Edgeley, on a Friday morning?



Shop well, Cook well, Eat well consists of 4 cookery demonstrations using Food Bank ingredients. You then get to 'taste test' the dishes and take the recipes home to try.

Each week will include discussion on shopping, cooking and eating for health.

The group will start on 17th September and sessions run from 10:30-12:30pm.

If you want to take part, please email Sharen on <a href="mailto:sharen.sharen

Look forward to working with you!



# Uptimal Football



# @Hazel Grove Sports Centre

Jacksons Lane Hazel Grove 947 500

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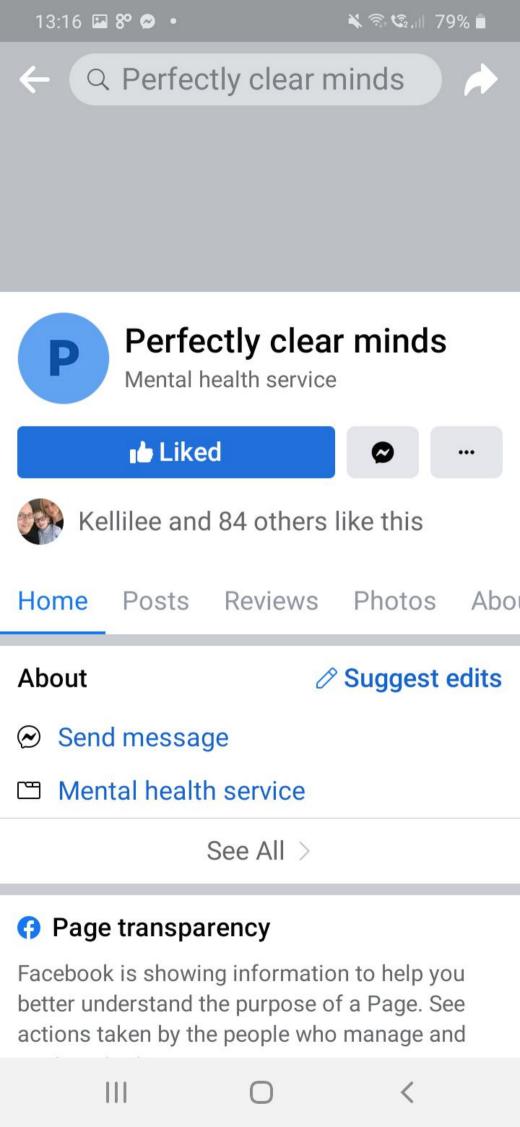
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Come along to play, watch or just have a chat. A Support group tackling goals and mental health challenges. Every Fri from 18/06/21









#### Tweet



# Owls Group @OWLSgroup

Looking for advice or support, feeling isolated or just wanting to meet new friends? Then why not pop in to our coffee morning Wednesdays 10.30am-12.30pm. Free brew and chocolate biscuits await.



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Tweet your reply









# SignPost

WELLBEING FOR CARERS

# Have you cared for someone that has passed away or has moved into full time care?

Join us for a chat and an opportunity to treat yourself to tea, coffee and maybe a cake.

For more info, or to express interest please contact Natalie on 0161 442 0442.



Held fortnightly on Tuesdays,
starting 29th June 2021
11-1pm
Beretto Lounge
Redrock, Bridgefield St,
Stockport, SK1 1SA





### SUICIDE PREVENTION EVENT -COFFEE MORNING

With Pure Innovations Mental

Health Network and WIN Team!

#### THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

10.30AM TILL 1PM.

THE SPACE, 26 ST PETERSGATE, STOCKPORT SK 1 1 HD

Come along, meet new people, have a chat! Contact Lucy Crank- 07925148511







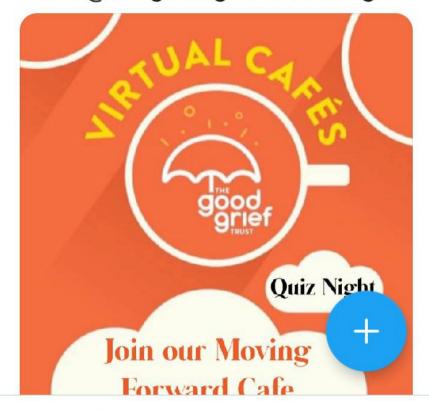


#### Promoted



The Good Grief Trust ... · 2h : Weekends can be incredibly difficult if you are bereaved. When family & friends are getting together, it can feel a lonely place. Pls join Nicky & Charmaine, every Sunday for a chat on Zoom with others who are grieving.

#youarenotalone To book: Hello@thegoodgrieftrust.org













**Quiz Night** 

# Join our Moving Forward Cafe Every Sunday 6-7pm



The UK's National Bereavement Support network, bringing all services together under one umbrella. Helping anyone affected by grief, anywhere in the UK.





# Returning to School If you see any of the following:

To ALL Students

\*another student struggling to make friends

\*another student being picked on

\*a student who is new, shy, or not with the "in crowd"

\*a student who is eating lunch alone

## Be a Leader! Be a Warrior!

Say hi. Smile at them. Ask if you can sit with them. Include them. You never know what that person is facing inside or outside of school.

YOUR KINDNESS WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE



# IF YOU'RE BEING BULLIED CYBER-BULLIED ONLINE

(Often that's what they want!)

Don't retaliate Save the evidence

(Screen-shot, save messages.)

Tell someone what's

happening

Report, block, get rid!

Remember the problem is with them, not you.



# How to Support a Bereaved Person



#GriefAwarenessDay

Talk and listen.

Let them know you are thinking about them

3.

Remember important dates.

Anniversaries and birthdays can be particularly painful

5.

Understand that grief doesn't ever go away. There will be times which are difficult years later 2

Find out if they need more support. Let them know where it's available

4

Offer practical help.

Try to make specific suggestions

6

Be understanding of their needs. These will change from day to day, but do continue to check in