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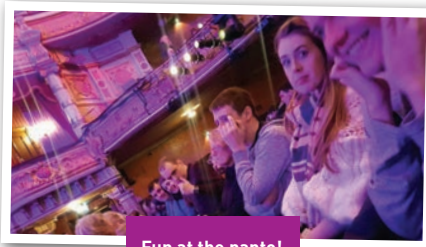
## Country Night



Last November, staff, service users and parents participated in the annual Abbie Social Night. The band, Daddy Naggins performed a variety of country classics alongside special guests Alistair, Jack and Jaqui. Everyone looked great in their country get up of checked shirts and cowboy hats. It was a lovely opportunity for parents to see the latest Abbie wall art and hear about projects, as well as have a good old chin wag!

## Oh yes we did!

On Friday 5th January, the Abbie Centre took their first trip of the year to the King's Theatre to see the pantomime performance of Sleeping Beauty! We are grateful to the King's for hosting an autism friendly performance of this popular panto. Both staff and service users loved the show, and are already looking forward to next year's performance!



Fun at the panto!

## Abbie Christmas Parties



Meeting Santa

The Abbie Centre had the pleasure of meeting a very exciting guest on Monday 11th December and Friday 15th December. Everyone enjoyed their presents from Santa, especially Kevin, who received the Disney Greatest Hits CD which he now loves to listen to in the sensory room in the Abbie! All of our service users were delighted with the buffet and Jaqui's Christmas Playlist!

## Unsung Hero

The writers group at West of Scotland office in Bridgeton has been going from strength to strength for many years and lots of you will have enjoyed the work produced by the writers in our previous newsletters. However, this time round we want to feature someone who does not attend the classes or produces the writing, but someone who is key to helping our members. This is of course the one and only Mr Barry Milligan!

Every Friday, the writers are met with a warm welcome and a supply of tea, coffee (and occasionally biscuits) from Barry. On many significant occasions such as Christmas and Halloween, Barry excels himself by decorating the writing group room. The stage is set so well that the writers very often use the setting itself as inspiration for their writing! Sometimes Barry takes his dedication to the extreme; on one particular Halloween he decorated himself as well as the room, complete with fake bandages and blood!

So Barry, as the writers begin a new writing year, we would like to thank you for all your support to the group throughout the years and look forward to what inspiration you will bring us in 2018!

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