

# DEWSBURY & DISTRICT THIRD AGE



## COURSE PROGRAMME

# 2019-20

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## Welcome to Dewsbury and District Third Age

The organisation was formed in 1985 to give over 50's an opportunity to take up new interests and to meet people. We provide a wide choice of subjects in informal daytime classes. All our classes are friendly and relaxed.

We are a registered charity and are not funded by any other organisation. Our thanks are due, however, to Kirklees Cultural Services, Libraries, various other venues and the "Reporter" group for their help and support.

All activities are carried out at members' own risk.

### Tutors

All our helpers are voluntary, including tutors, on whom we are totally dependent. We offer our grateful thanks to all of them.

**Would you like to be a Tutor/Leader?** There are no qualifications required. You only need a love of your subject and a wish to help others lead a fuller life. For further details, see the back page.

### Term Dates (normally 10 weeks)

**Autumn: Monday 7th October to Friday 13th December 2019**

**Winter: Monday 6th January to Friday 13th March 2020**

Some classes also arrange to meet during the summer.

### Registration as a Member (£5 per annum) and Enrolment for Classes

#### (£15 per term, per class)

Please attend any of the following. To avoid delays at the first class, where possible, please register and enrol beforehand.

1. **Dewsbury Library Help Desk** Wednesdays 1 – 2.30 p.m. 4th to 25th September 2019.
2. **Mirfield Library** Saturday, 7th September 11 – 1.
3. **Birstall Library** Wednesday, 11th September 10 – 12.
4. **Mirfield Library** Thursday, 12th September 10 – 12.
5. **Batley Library** Friday, 13th September 10 – 12.
6. The relevant venue, on the first day of the class in October and January, **provided that the class is not fully subscribed.**

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## **Obtaining Information**

We have a Help Desk in Dewsbury Library Wednesdays from 4<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 1.00 to 2.30.

You can also obtain information by ringing **07842 284778**.

Our e-mail address is: [thirdage@dewsbury-district3age.co.uk](mailto:thirdage@dewsbury-district3age.co.uk)

A Newsletter is issued to every member each October and January, giving updated information. The local press publish our events.

Whilst the Third Age advertises as much as possible, the best advertisement is your recommendation.

**NOTE** We are strenuously seeking new Tutors or Leaders in subjects of interest to our members. We apologise for the fact that several classes are full. **Please see pages 9 and 10, where classes which are full at the time of publication are listed separately, along with information about our policy on such classes.**

**Where groups have a waiting list, if a member does not attend for three consecutive meetings without informing the tutor, they may be deemed no longer to wish to attend that group.**

## **Fees 2019 – 20**

Third Age's Membership Year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> August in the following year.

**It is necessary to pay a new membership for each year.** The membership fee (£5) is payable at the same time as the enrolment fee (£15) for the first class, totalling £20. Additional classes and terms will be charged at £15 per term.

An enrolment fee of £3, in addition to the membership fee, is payable for the **Walking Group**, to cover both terms. An enrolment fee of £5, to cover both terms, is paid direct to the **Luncheon Club** with the first lunch booking, in addition to the membership fee. An enrolment fee of £6 for the whole year, in addition to the membership fee, is charged for the **Book Club**.

**Since there is no membership card or number, it is essential that the receipt is retained and presented at the first session of each class.**

## **Third Age Events 2020**

Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> & Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>                      Oakwell Hall Exhibition

Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> 2 p.m.                                      Annual General Meeting at Dewsbury Town Hall.

## TIMETABLE 2019 – 20

| Subject                 | Time  | Venue                               | Page |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------|
| <b><u>MONDAY</u></b>    |   |                                     |      |
| Indoor Bowling          | 10-12   | Ossett Community Centre             | 6    |
| Painting                | 10-12   | Mirfield Community Centre           | 7    |
| Parchment Craft         | 2-4   | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church        | 7    |
| Table Tennis (F)        | 2-4   | Heckmondwike Table Tennis Club      | 10   |
| Tai Chi (F)             | 2-3.30  | Birstall Library                    | 10   |
| <b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>   |   |                                     |      |
| French Conversation     | 10-12   | Mirfield St Andrew's Church         | 6    |
| Patchwork & Quilting    | 10-12   | Liversedge St Andrew's Church       | 7    |
| Patchwork & Quilting    | 10-12   | Mirfield Community Centre           | 7    |
| Play Reading            | 10-12   | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church        | 8    |
| Tai Chi (F)             | 10-11.30  | Birstall Library                    | 10   |
| Walking                 | Meet between 10 & 10.30 alternate Tuesdays.<br>Exact times, dates and venues as advertised. |                                     | 9    |
| Card and Board Games*   | 2-4   | Mirfield Community Centre           | 5    |
| Discussion Group        | 2-4   | Mirfield Trinity Church             | 5    |
| Flower Arranging        | 1.30-3.30   | Shawcross Mount Tabor Church        | 5    |
| Indoor Bowling          | 2-4   | Ossett Community Centre             | 6    |
| Scottish Dancing        | 2-4   | Hanging Heaton Ebenezer Church      | 8    |
| Table Tennis (F)        | 2-4   | Mirfield Community Centre           | 10   |
| <b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b> |   |                                     |      |
| Handicrafts             | 10-12   | Batley Town Hall                    | 6    |
| Local History           | 10-12   | Mirfield Community Centre           | 6    |
| Luncheon Club           | 12 for 12.30  | Dewsbury Heath Cottage Hotel        | 6    |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in month  |                                     |      |
| Making Collector        | 10-12   | Batley Town Hall                    | 7    |
| Teddy Bears             |   |                                     |      |
| Drawing & Painting      | 2-4   | Ravensthorpe United Reformed Church | 5    |

| <b>Subject</b>                | <b>Time</b> | <b>Venue</b>              |   |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Table Tennis</b>           | 2-4         | Mirfield Community Centre | 9 |
| <b>Play Guitar (and Sing)</b> | 4.30-6.30   | Upper Hopton Croft House  | 8 |

### **THURSDAY**

|                                 |            |                              |    |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|----|
| <b>Drawing and Painting (F)</b> | 9.30-11.30 | Birstall Library             | 10 |
| <b>Bridge</b>                   | 2-4        | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church | 5  |
| <b>Indoor Bowling (F)</b>       | 2-4        | Ossett Community Centre      | 10 |
| <b>Photography</b>              | 2-4        | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church | 8  |

### **FRIDAY**

|                                     |           |  |    |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--|----|
| <b>Art for Beginners/Improvers</b>  | 10-12     | Mirfield Community Centre                        | 5  |
| <b>Indoor Bowling (F)</b>           | 10-12     | Ossett Community Centre                          | 10 |
| <b>Patchwork &amp; Quilting (F)</b> | 10-12     | Mirfield St Andrew's Church                      | 10 |
| <b>Play the Ukulele*</b>            | 10-12     | Ravensthorpe United Reformed Church              | 8  |
| <b>Your Family Tree</b>             | 10-12     | Dewsbury Library                                 | 9  |
| <b>Painting &amp; Drawing</b>       | 1.30-3.30 | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church                     | 7  |
| <b>Book Club (F)</b>                | 2-4       | Mirfield Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in month | 10 |
| <b>Singing for Pleasure</b>         | 2-3.30    | Dewsbury Longcauseway Church                     | 9  |
| <b>Yorkshire Dialect</b>            | 2-4       | Dewsbury Town Hall                               | 9  |

### **\*NEW CLASSES**

The following classes are new for this year

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Card and Board Games</b> | Tuesday p.m. |
| <b>Play the Ukulele</b>     | Friday a.m.  |

(F) Indicates a class which is currently full. Please see pages 9 and 10.

## Courses, Venues, Times and Tutors

### **(G21) Art for Beginners and Improvers**

**Friday 10 – 12**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

**Mrs M. Pickersgill**

A relaxed, fun group for all abilities. A few vacancies and will accept names on a waiting list.

### **(N10) Bridge**

**Thursday 2 – 4**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs E. Stephenson**

Beginners, improvers and experienced players welcome. A partner will be provided. We are a friendly, social group and have been running now for 20 years. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome and friendly guidance where necessary. All members have been coming for a long time – some for nearly 20 years. New faces – and hands – will be appreciated. Do join us!

### **(G34) Card and Board Games\***

**Tuesday 2-4**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

**Mrs V. Boden**

Learn together: card and board games to make you think and socialise through play. Experienced players and beginners welcome.

### **(Q14) Discussion Group**

**Tuesday 2 – 4**

**Mirfield Trinity Methodist Church, Huddersfield Road**

**Mrs V. Robinson**

An informal, friendly group discussing a wide range of topical issues. Maximum 10 members.

### **(L31) Drawing and Painting**

**Wednesday 2 – 4**

**Ravensthorpe United Reformed Church, North Road**

**Miss M. Armitage**

Painting in good company. A free and easy class, along with help and advice. Beginners welcome.

### **(J26) Flower Arranging**

**Tuesday 1.30 – 3.30**

**Mount Tabor Church, Dewsbury, Chidswell Lane, Shawcross**

**Mrs P. Cranmer**

This is a friendly, relaxed class where members arrange their flowers following a demonstration the previous week. The group has a wide range of expertise. Novices welcome. Average spend £5.

**(M32) French Conversation**

**Tuesday 10 – 12**

**St Andrew's Church Hall, Mirfield, Old Bank Road**

**Mrs. R. Mills**

A lively conversation class for students with a reasonable knowledge of the language. Definitely not for beginners.

**(A3) Handicrafts**

**Wednesday 10 – 12**

**Batley Town Hall**

**Mrs J. Fleming**

Handicrafts, cross-stitch and knitting. New members welcome.

**(K27) Indoor Bowling**

**Monday 10 – 12**

**Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, Prospect Road**

**Mrs D. Hodge**

45 ft mats – much less effort than Crown Green Bowling. Bowls provided. A friendly and relaxed group, where many lasting friendships have been made. There are a few spaces and willing to accept names onto a waiting list. Commences September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**(K24) Indoor Bowling**

**Tuesday 2 – 4**

**Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, Prospect Road**

**Mr C. Edge**

A new class which started partway through last year. A small number of vacancies. Will accept names onto a waiting list. Commences October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**(G19) Local History**

**Wednesday 10 – 12**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

This very popular, friendly, fun class is for any-one interested in discovering more about the history of local people and places. We cover the whole of Yorkshire and run with contributions from group members, visiting speakers and outside visits.

**((K29) Luncheon Club**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in month 12 for 12.30**

**Heath Cottage Hotel, Wakefield Road, Dewsbury**

New members welcome to join us for excellent meals and friendly company.

**(A16) Making Collector Teddy Bears**

**Wednesday 10 – 12**

**Batley Town Hall**

**Mrs S. Roe**

Would you like to make a cuddly teddy bear from scratch? We also make other animals. These are “collector” items in that they are all hand-made and uniquely finished by each member. They are also jointed, so not suitable for children under 3 years of age. You will learn everything, from cutting out to sewing together by hand and adding the finishing touches.

**(G15) Painting for Relaxation**

**Monday 10 – 12**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

**Mrs B. Conroy**

A friendly and relaxed painting group. A small number of vacancies.

**(N36) Painting and Drawing**

**Friday 1.30 – 3.30**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs S. Idle**

An established class painting in water colours. We also help with acrylics and pastel. Newcomers welcome to join in the fun.

**(G4) Patchwork and Quilting**

**Tuesday 10 – 12**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

**Mrs C. Cashman**

Beginners welcome. There are a few vacancies.

**(P2) Patchwork and Quilting (Janet’s Patch)**

**Tuesday 10 – 12**

**St Andrew’s Church, Liversedge**

**Mrs E. Newsome**

An informal patchwork class with plenty of enthusiasm. Advice given, if requested. A small number of vacancies. Will also accept names onto a waiting list.

**(N33) Parchment Craft**

**Monday 2 – 4**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs D. Boughey**

A friendly group. Learn how to make greetings cards from parchment paper using tools and pencils. Beginners welcome.

**(N35) Photography**

**Thursday 2 – 4**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs S. Bligh**

Whether you use a camera, phone or tablet, taking photos is fun. Learn more about what makes a good photo.

This year’s competition subjects are:

Something Beginning with “A”; Wheels; Set of 3 Images on a Theme; Seascape;

Wild Flowers; Country House / Cottage; Natural Patterns; Watching the World Go By.



**(H20) Play Guitar (and Sing) for Fun**

**Wednesday 4.30 – 6.30**

**Croft House, Upper Hopton, Mirfield**

**Mr C. Brian**

A group where we meet to play (and sing) popular songs. No need to read music, just loads of enthusiasm required.

Guitarists must have their own guitar (acoustic or electric), be able to play common chords and have an ear for music and timing. The group has an expanding repertoire of songs, all driven by members' choices. You would like to play and sing a particular song? Then bring your suggestion to the group and we'll try to do just that.

**(L24) Play the Ukulele for Fun\***

**Friday 10-12**

**Ravensthorpe United Reformed Church, North Road**

**Mr B. Seddon**

The ukulele is sometimes looked on as a toy. This is not the case. It is a versatile and easy to learn musical instrument. This is a class designed for beginners (but everyone is welcome). No knowledge of music is necessary; the main requirement is enthusiasm. Advice on purchase of instruments will be available.

**(N23) Play Reading**

**Tuesday 10 – 12**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs E. Ledgard**

If you like the written word and some of the world's best playwrights, come and join our small friendly group. No acting experience necessary. Don't forget your reading glasses!

**(E13) Scottish Country Dancing**

**Tuesday 2 – 4**

**Hanging Heaton Ebenezer Primary Hall, High Street**

**Mrs K. Shaw**

An enjoyable way to exercise, both physically and mentally. A pair of soft shoes is required.

We are a very friendly group.

**(N37) Singing for Pleasure**

**Friday 2 – 3.30**

**Longcauseway Church, Dewsbury**

**Mrs M. Boocock**

If you love music and love to sing, please join us on a Friday afternoon.

Commences October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**(G7) Table Tennis**

**Wednesday 2 – 4**

**Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane**

**Mrs C. MacDonald**

Table tennis for all abilities. Fun, friendly and sometimes competitive!

**(W1) Walking Group**

**Tuesdays, fortnightly**

**Co-ordinators: Ms S. Dhir, Mrs H. Holdsworth**

Looking for fun, fitness and friendship? Join us for 5 – 6 mile walks in the local countryside, walking at an easy pace.

Walk list available at enrolment sessions, on the website or at the Wednesday Help Desk at Dewsbury Library. Please note that walkers attend at their own risk.

**(D12) Yorkshire Dialect**

**Friday 2 – 4**

**Dewsbury Town Hall**

**Mrs J. Whitehead / Mrs B. Rhodes**

Yorkshire folk enjoying Friday afternoons “speykin” Yorkshire. New members always welcome.

**(C8) Your Family Tree**

**Friday 10 – 12**

**Dewsbury Library**

**Mrs J. Whitehead / Mrs M. Walker**

**Class runs from Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October until Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December.**

A friendly group who use library facilities to grow their family tree at their own pace. Will accept new members if they have a Kirklees library card.

**Classes Which Are Currently Fully Subscribed**

At the time of publication, the following classes, listed on page 10, are not able to accept new members. Limits have to be placed on some classes because of the nature of the activity, availability of room space, facilities and equipment or the ability of the tutor to assist the number of students.

As an organisation, we have made the decision to give priority to existing students. However, the situation changes constantly and classes operate a waiting list. If you would like to be considered for a class, should a vacancy arise, please leave your contact details at any enrolment session or contact us by telephone or email. Our website will also carry up-to-date information about vacancies.

**(I 41) Book Club****2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in month 2 - 4****Mirfield Library****Mrs A. Parkin**

Monthly meetings to discuss titles provided by Kirklees Library Service. Maximum class size is 12. Names accepted onto a waiting list.

**(B17) Drawing and Painting****Thursday 9.30 – 11.30****Birstall Library****Mr A. Jackson / Mrs L. Wood**

This is a drawing and painting class exploring a variety of techniques. Most projects are tutored with some members pursuing their own projects. We have a popular class with 15 members. Currently, the class is full but students may be accepted from a waiting list.

**(K28) Indoor Bowling****Thursday 2 – 4****Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, Prospect Road****Mrs C. Moss**

A friendly group. Names can be accepted onto a waiting list. Commences October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**(K11) Indoor Bowling****Friday 10 – 12****Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, Prospect Road****Mrs A. Jeffery**

A popular game and a friendly group. Commences October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**(M22) Patchwork and Quilting****Friday 10 – 12****Mirfield St Andrew's Church, Old Bank Road****Mrs C. Cashman**

The class is full.

**(G18) Table Tennis****Tuesday 2 – 4****Mirfield Community Centre, Water Royd Lane****Mr B. Hardiman**

Social table tennis – more fun than expertise. Could accept names onto a waiting list.

**(F39) Table Tennis****Monday 2 – 4****Heckmondwike Table Tennis Centre, Cemetery Road WF16 9ED****Mrs E. Byrne**

A friendly, fun-loving group of players but full at present.

**(B25) Tai Chi****Monday 2 – 3.30****Birstall Library****Mrs P. Holden**

The gentle and flowing movements of Tai Chi help promote flexibility, balance and relaxation. Loose clothing and gym-type shoes necessary.

**(B6) Tai Chi****Tuesday 10 – 11.30****Birstall Library****Mrs P. Holden**

A form of martial art from ancient China, we now enjoy Tai Chi as a gentle mind and body exercise. Loose clothing and gym-type shoes necessary.

Names accepted onto waiting lists for both Tai Chi classes.

# OPEN DAY AT OAKWELL HALL

Saturday, March 14th &  
Sunday March 15th 2020

12 noon – 4 p.m. Free entry

Visit our annual exhibition where the talents and skills of our members will be on display.

## Could you be a tutor?

Are you over 50 and have a particular skill or hobby? Would you like to share your knowledge and skill with other like-minded people? Formal teaching qualifications are not required, just a passion for your activity and a willingness to show and tell others how to do it, offer friendly guidance and share ideas with each other. Each class runs for two hours per week over two terms of ten weeks, October to December and January to March.

We have had interest expressed in Needle Felting and Drawing and Painting for Absolute Beginners. Could you offer tuition for either of these or anything else that could be a group activity? If so, please contact our chairperson, who will be pleased to explain what is involved in becoming a volunteer tutor, on **07842 284778**.

We look forward to hearing from you.

