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by Bev Wright



#It's Spring again - I'll sing again - Tulips from Amsterdam..#

Well Spring has sprung again folks! It's nice to see some colour in our gardens with the spring flowers and blossom on the trees, heralding the new start to warmer and more pleasant times and leaving behind the dreary winter days.

We have got a packed newsletter today for you including exciting news of our new Library make-over at GEH.

During our refurb don't forget we are still available to provide our usual services.

Redesigning the GEH Library

by Bev Wright

The Library in GETEC opened in 2006, when all training and education departments moved into GETEC from different sites across the Trust.

There have been a few changes along the way, but now it is time for a major overhaul.

Visitors to the library will notice a new room on the right when entering the library, this is the new Seminar Room. The old Seminar Room is now the Library Staff Office. We will have a new issue desk in that area too.

The new Seminar Room is now bookable via GETEC reception and now has the Smart screen from the old Seminar Room.

We are keeping our existing carrells and they will be where they are now - by the windows.

We are also getting rid of the tatty grubby looking carpet tiles and getting a nice new vinyl floor matching the one in GETEC foyer. Our new shelves have arrived and they are a lot shorter in height, which will be a lot more user friendly, with the bottom shelf pointing slightly upwards so you don't have to bend so much.

They have nice clear coloured labels at the top so you can see what there is and also they will have end-of-shelf labels.

They are on castors, so we will be able to arrange them in a pleasing way, with the new study tables.



New shelves



New Seminar Room

We are looking forward to seeing our shiny new library complete now and we are sure you find it the perfect space to study or to relax.

New Book Blog



Like with any good library we have some new books arriving now and then. To promote these, so you can keep up to date on our new items you, can view them all on our New Book Blog on our website.

You will find the title and author and a brief synopsis.

There is also a link to the book on our catalogue, so you can see if it is available to loan.



New Book Blog

Schwartz Rounds





What are Schwartz Rounds?

Schwartz Rounds are a multidisciplinary forum designed for staff to come together once a month to discuss and reflect on the non-clinical aspects of caring for patients – that is, the emotional and social challenges associated with their jobs. Attending Rounds can be experienced as both supportive and transformative and staff attending Rounds report (Lown & Manning, 2010) (Goodrich, 2012):

- decreased feelings of stress and isolation
- improved team work and interdisciplinary communication
- increased insight into social and emotional aspects of patient care and confidence to deal with non-clinical issues relating to patients
- changes in departmental or organisation wide practices as a result of insights that have arisen from discussions in Rounds.

Schwartz Rounds are being relaunched both virtually and inperson at GEH and SWFT sites, watch out for dates and time being advertised.

Read all about them on our website https://gehswft.wordpress.ptfs-europe.co.uk/wellbeing/schwartz-round/

Neurodiversity in the workplace



Want to know more about neurodiversity?
We've put together useful information about what neurodiversity is, how to support neurodivergent colleagues, and interesting things to watch and read to help improve your neurodiversity awareness. This is for everyone in the Trust, including colleagues looking to understand their own neurodiversity or that of a family member. We welcome suggestions of useful items to include.

There is a link to our website https://gehswft.wordpress.ptfs-europe.co.uk/wellbeing/neurodiversity-in-the-workplace/



NHS England praise for our Libraries



NHS England recognises strength of Knowledge and Library Services Team

NHS England visited us on 17th January to carry out a quality assessment. They found that "There are a total of 16 Essential Indicators, of which 9 are at the Established level and 7 are at the Good level" and that "All 16 essential indicators are in place." They recognised that "The knowledge and library team are valued by the organisations and seen as passionate, proactive and innovative" and the progress that has been made since the joint service between GEH and SWFT started in October 2021. The recommendations fit with our action plan to further develop knowledge mobilisation within the Trusts. We are recruiting a Community Librarian for SWFT and looking at other creative ways to develop our workforce to foster research and health literacy. Watch this space...



William Harvey Library, GEH



Education Centre Library, SWFT