

# TALES FROM LOCKDOWN

Hi my name is Sonny. I run D News on Harehills Lane. We are one of the many local businesses involved in the Manbassadors project, where we help local men to get any help that they might need.



During Lockdown everyone has been in the same boat, a bit stressed out. We have all just been trying to keep ourselves busy by doing things like watching TV and playing cards. Personally, I like watching old dramas and even some cartoons because they are happy!

I have also been spending time in the kitchen cooking with my family, going up and down stairs to get exercise and talking to family on Whatsapp.

One of the positive things about Lockdown has been that there are fewer cars on the road, so it has been nice to go outside and take notice of the nice gardens and the birds.

My business has been very quiet, with lots of people isolating, but things are starting to look up. People feel that there is less risk, and they are happier that they are not stuck at home. We are starting to get more customers, and I will be starting to do newspapers again from the end of July.

I would like to offer a free bottle of water to anyone who comes into my shop over the next few weeks to buy something. Drinking water helps to keep you healthy, and you can keep the bottle afterwards so that you can take water out with you when you go for your walks.

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# ONLINE SOCIAL GROUPS AND EVENTS

#### DADSTASTIC DAY ONLINE

Sun 19 July 2020 11am - 4pm
For more info: <a href="https://www.leedsdads.org/">www.leedsdads.org/</a>
dadstastic @LeedsDads or #DadstasticDay

### **MEANWOOD MEN'S GROUP ONLINE**

Mondays 12noon - 1:45pm

Get the week off to a great start, always happy to welcome new men to the group.

'SPACE2 SING' CHOIR (ONLINE)
Thursdays 3.30pm - 5pm
Contact paulb@space2.org.uk
07598 101253

Go to www.fgfleeds.org/unlocked to find even more!



# **ALISON'S TOP TIPS**

VEG GONE LIMP?
Simply pop it in some water and it'll

come back to life! Works really well with carrots, celery and lettuce!



# **GET IN TOUCH!**

**Email:** damian@fgfleeds.org

Phone / WhatsApp: 07701 338841

From the Unlocked team:

Damian, Lawrence & Suzy





# SERVICES

Organisations to help you:





## **HELP IF YOU CANNOT GO OUT CALL 0113 378 1877 (Mon-Fri)**

For help with shopping, prescriptions or just a chat.

#### **DOMESTIC ABUSE**

**Leeds Domestic Violence Service 0113 246 0401** 24 hour helpline for men or women suffering any type of domestic violence or abuse.

CARERS LEEDS Advice Line - 0113 380 4300 If you are struggling to look after someone you normally care for.

NHS Mental Health Helpline - 0800 183 0558 24 hours/day confidential support and advice for anyone concerned about their mental health.

**RETAS LEEDS: Online drop-in for refugees.** Facebook Messenger - 10am - 12.30pm every Friday or call 07440 402028

**SAMARITANS - Freephone 116 123** Need to talk? Confidential and emotional support 24 hours a day.

MONEY BUDDIES - 0113 235 0276 / 07936 368 045 / 07716 848 827

Help with money problems. Find information in different languages at www.moneybuddies.org.uk

**FORWARD LEEDS - 0113 887 2477** Advice, info and support if you are worried about alcohol or drug use.

GAMCARE - 0808 802 0133 Help with gambling problems.

**CRUSE BEREAVEMENT - 0808 808 1677** Help if someone close to you has died. Mon & Friday 9.30am-5pm; Tues, Weds, Thurs 9.30am-8pm.

LEEDS SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SERVICE 0113 305 5800. If someone you cared about has ended their own life.

**IN A MEDICAL EMERGENCY - CALL 999 FOR NON-EMERGENCIES - CALL 111** 

# **ERROL MURRAY**

### LEEDS DADS

Errol Murray set up Leeds Dads in 2011 because he "needed a space to be a Dad". Mums tend to know these things but, as a Dad, Errol found himself talking with other men about nappies, pooh, and sleepless nights!!

Modern families can look very different and Dads play a key role. I needed to grow a network of other Dads, and encourage men to take more responsibility within their own family setups.

At Leeds Dads, men can find advice and support from other men; they can feel the parental support, learn how to be a stronger Dad and develop friendships for themselves. and for their children.

We have grown over the 9 years; still with a significant focus on under-5s, we help to equip dads with everything they need to know to get the best possible start for those first 1.000 days pre-school.

This year our Dadstastic Day will be online: it takes place on Sunday 19th July and is a day of fun and celebration, 11am-4pm, with loads of activities for children - check out leedsdads. org/dadstastic (it's for mums, aunties etc too!)"

During lockdown, on a Tuesday night at 8pm, we use our Facebook page to present #AskaDad sessions where we have experts on a panel to respond to questions from Dads about work, money, how to get your kids out of bed - all sorts!"

Find more info on Errol and his team at: leedsdads.org



### **BEWARE NHS TEST AND TRACE SCAMS**



#### IF SOMEONE PHONES YOU AND SAYS THEY ARE FROM THE NHS



**DO NOT give** your bank account details **DO NOT give** any social media passwords

**DO NOT give** any PIN numbers out

**DO NOT buy** anything

**DO NOT pay** for a test

**DO NOT** go to a website that does not belong to the Government or NHS

If they ask you to do any of these things, HANG UP AND REPORT THE CALL TO THE POLICE

A real NHS caller will never ask these questions!

# **SHIELDING INFORMATION**

Ways to get up-to-date information and support for those who are shielding:









leeds.gov.uk/coronavirus 0113 378 1877

SignLive Directory

Select LCC Covid19

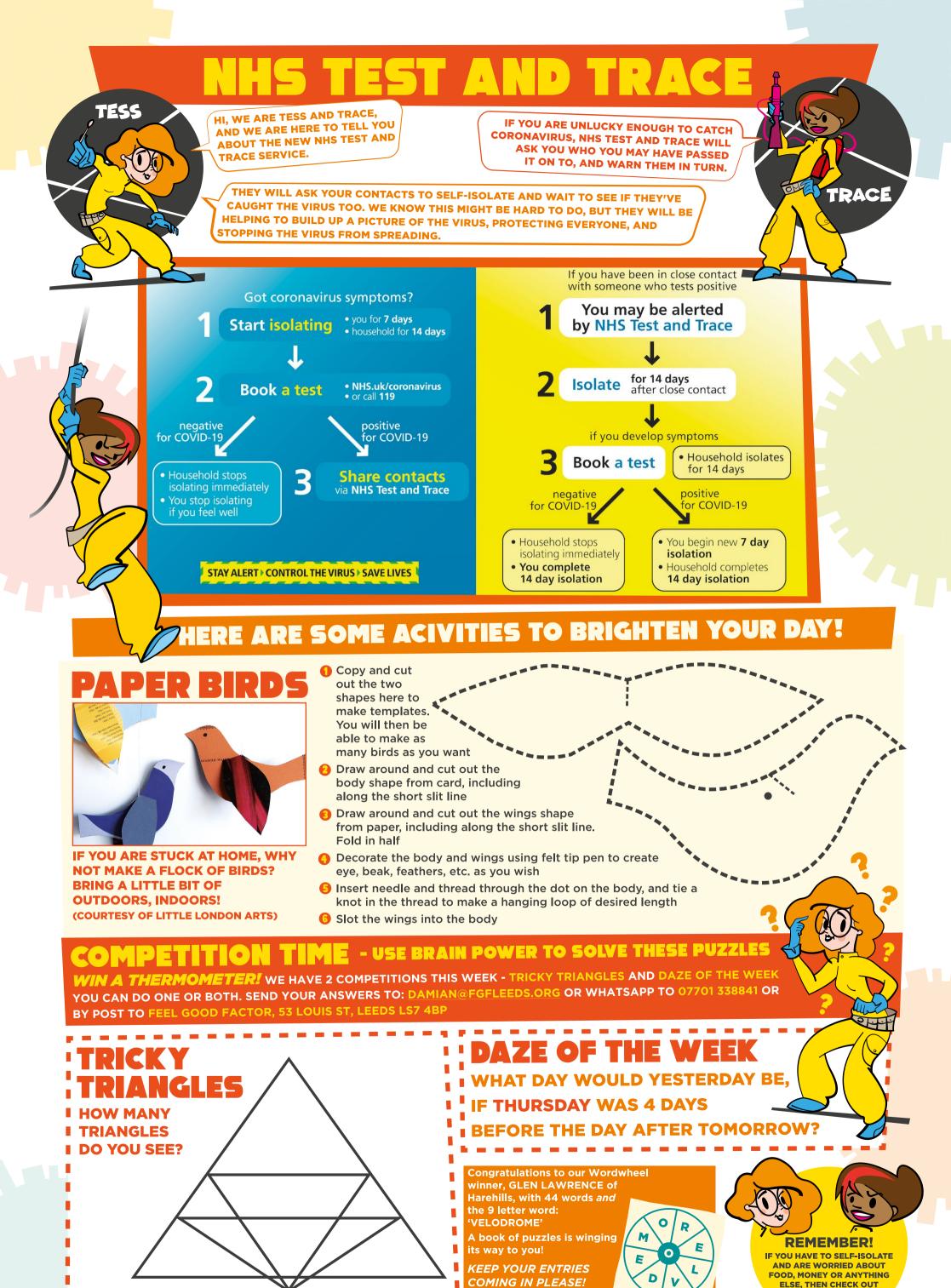
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You MUST register by 16th July if you are shielding someone and need support! Call the number above!

**#StavSafeSaveLives** 







THE SERVICES OVER THE PAGE!