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LOCAL CARE HOME IS IN THE 'HONEY' FOLLOWING DONATION

Residents at Haven View care home in Portishead are in for a sweet treat following the donation of 100 pots of honey from the UK's leading dedicated childcare voucher provider.

Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers has made the donation in celebration of its formal rebranding this autumn to Computershare Voucher Services.

As a way of saying goodbye to the old name, the company is hoping to give a boost to older residents who may benefit most from the natural goodness of the bees' produce.

Residents at the home on Harbour Road were delighted to dip in to the honey stocks.

According to the UK Honey Association, honey has long been recognised as a natural remedy and has been used as a medicine for thousands of years. Its antiseptic properties can be used as a remedy for ailments from sore throats to burns and cuts, whilst the fructose and glucose in honey are quickly absorbed into the bloodstream, giving a natural energy boost.

Linda De'Ath, care home manager at Haven View, part of the Southern Cross group, said: "We are delighted to receive the donation. I'm sure all our residents are going to enjoy it."

Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers Managing Director, Simon Moore, said: "As a firm we are strongly involved with the local communities in which we work and operate, so we wanted to do something which would benefit local residents. Honey is a much loved and healthy treat, enjoyed by children and adults of all ages.

"Since the acquisition of Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers by Computershare last year, we've been investing heavily to ensure that we can provide an even better service to parents.

“It was important to continue with the Busy Bees brand for a time, to provide a seamless transition to the new ownership and to provide comfort and consistency for parents. Now that period is ending, we are bringing childcare vouchers into our mainstream business. ‘Hiving off’ the Busy Bees honey to those who will benefit from it is, we think, a good way of saying goodbye to the old brand and welcoming in Computershare Voucher Services.”

Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers provides and operates schemes for more than 110,000 working parents via 14,000 organisations under the Busy Bees brand. The company will now be promoted as Computershare Voucher Services Ltd as part of a co-ordinated rebranding programme that includes a new automated administrative system and new website.

Childcare vouchers are an employee benefit that can help working parents to save up to £1,196 a year, depending on individual circumstances, on the cost of registered childcare. Parents simply exchange part of their salary for the same amount of childcare vouchers, which can then be used to pay for nurseries, nannies, childminders, au pairs, out of school clubs, holiday schemes and qualifying childcare at schools.

Editors Notes

About Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers - soon to be known as Computershare Voucher Services

Childcare vouchers help working parents to save money on the cost of registered childcare.

Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers operates and administers its childcare voucher scheme for more than 14,000 organisations across the UK. Clients range from SMEs to some of the FTSE 100’s largest corporations. The company is also strong in the public sector, with many NHS trusts, police forces and councils all offering the childcare voucher scheme to their employees.

Vouchers are an employee benefit that can save families up to £2,392 a year on registered childcare, including nurseries, nannies, childminders, au pairs, out of school clubs and holiday schemes. Parents simply exchange up to £243 worth of their salary for the same amount of tax and National Insurance-exempt Vouchers.

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