

Tillery Valley food sense

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Star Awards Success

November saw Sodexo hold its annual Employee Star Awards which was hosted by BBC personality Clare Balding and celebrated in style at a London venue.



Better Tomorrow Plan Award winner -Darren Savage, Healthcare



were recognised for their achievements during 2014. Sacha Hooper won the Healthcare Rising Star Award, Russell Lane (Production Manager) and Fiona Screen (Product Development Manager) won an award for the sale of additional services in the form of the supply of meals to the Commonwealth Games in Scotland.

For continuing to reduce waste and increase recycling whilst also targeting the more efficient use of energy and water, Tilley Valley won the national Better Tomorrow Plan. This was the second time in 5 years that this prestigious award has come to Tillery Valley where this ongoing work has been led by Darren Savage, Hygiene Manager.

ENHANCED DYSPHAGIC MEAL OFFER

Our commitment to customers is to always look for opportunities to improve both the quality and variety of the products we offer while maintaining consistent service levels.



Over the past few months however we acknowledge that for reasons outside of our immediate control we have been unable to always meet this service objective in respect of our dysphagic meal offer.

To remedy this we are pleased to announce that with effect from mid December we will be offering our customers an extensive range of dysphagic meals from Punjab Kitchen under their "Simply Puree" label which will allow us to meet your expectations in terms of product range, quality and of course service.

A letter containing full details of the offer will be circulated to customers shortly and it is anticipated that we will be in a position to accept orders from Monday 15th December for delivery week commencing 22nd.



Our Company Dietitian, Julie Lardie is due to leave us soon and her last day with Tillery Valley will be 31st December 2014.

Julie has decided to pursue a career within the retail manufacturing sector and will be joining Nestle Cereal Partners as their Nutrition and External Affairs Manager.

It has been a pleasure to be part of Tillery Valley Foods over the past 4.5 years. I've spent most of my career in hospital catering and patient food so I'll be sad to leave and nervous about trying something completely new but I'm excited about the challenge. I hope that I will continue to see many of our dietetic customers via the British Dietetic Association and Food Counts.

For those of you whom



I won't see again before I leave I wish you well and hope our paths cross again one day – after all the food industry is a small world!

Vive! Petite

For many years we have been supplying the NHS with the largest range of individual complete plated meals via our Vive! product range. Over the last 9 months or so market research and feedback from customers has indicated a desire to have a range of meals available for those patients with smaller or jaded appetites.

We are therefore happy to announce the launch, on January 19th 2015, of a range of 8 individual complete snack meals called Vive! Petite; formulated specifically to meet the needs of this patient group.

While the range is suitable for children and has been successfully trialled in the Paediatrics Department of a large London hospital, it should also prove extremely beneficial with geriatric and oncology patients where meals on a little and often basis are often preferred to the conventional two main meals per day. Being microwaveable the products can also provide a convenient yet appetising hot alternative to the usual cold snack or "out of hours" meal offer.

The range includes favourites such as Fish and Chips, Curry and Rice, Sausage and Mash and Cottage Pie. There are vegetarian options available and the dishes have been developed to have appeal across a broad dietary range.

Vive! Petite – helping those with smaller appetites eat well.

If you would like to taste the new Vive! Petite range or just get more information contact your TVF Account Manager or email us at tvfsales@tilleryvalley.com

Samples available from week commencing 5th January 2015.





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