## IRISH COMMUNITY CARE BLOG



Hi, my name is Jessica and I am a student from Northern Ireland studying Social Policy and Special Educational Needs. I just wanted to discuss an opportunity for students from Northern Ireland as they move over to their new home in Liverpool.

I attended the Irish Community Care virtual meeting with guests from Hope SU and Liverpool Irish Centre. It can be difficult being away from home so this was a great chance to meet people and I actually got to speak with someone who only lives a few miles down the road from me.

Irish Community Care's main aim is to create a 'Home away from Home' experience as it can be daunting coming to a new city. They are located in Liverpool city centre and are hosting virtual events, such as the one I attended. Equally as important, I just found out that there is a range of Irish treats you can get your hands on here at their shop; Tayto, Barry's tea, Deny's...the list goes on. With everything being online at the moment, they are also hosting a range of virtual classes such as mindfulness and yoga.

The Irish Community Care organisation also provides opportunities for volunteering within the community. This would be great for your CV or other activities such as Duke

of Edinburgh. It can also help you make friends both with volunteers and within the wider Irish community in Liverpool.

Irish Community Care are always asking what could be done remotely and were so open to all suggestions. We suggested treat packs with Irish foods, Irish News (both North and South) and live music. It is a charity organisation so it is all free of charge.

Everyone gets homesick when they're away from home, but with organisations like this it's a taste of Ireland here.

For more information I would highly recommend to follow them on social media.

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