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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR
SPRING 2023

Quarterly Newsletter

Welcome To Our Newsletter

With spring well and truly here, the days are growing longer and warmer, bringing with them the promise of blossoming flowers and longtime views. In this edition of our newsletter, we look forward to sharing exciting activities, updates, and events that we have been enjoying.

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Best wishes,

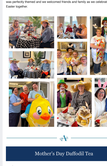
Maggie

Maggie Allison
Home Manager

Easter 2023

Good Times

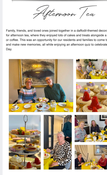
We had a fantastic afternoon at Almond Valley's Most Holiest Tea Party, everything was perfectly themed and we welcomed friends and family as we celebrated our first Easter together.



Mother's Day Daffodil Tea

Afternoon Tea

Family, friends, and loved ones joined together in a daffodil-themed decorated cafe to celebrate Mother's Day with delicious treats, beverages, and a special blend of coffee. This was an opportunity for our residents and families to come together and make new memories, all while enjoying an afternoon spot to celebrate Mother's Day.

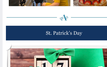


100th Birthday Celebration

Celebration Time

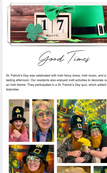
In March, Almond Valley was honoured to host a special celebration for Marjorie's 100th birthday. Her family came from Ontario, Canada, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia, and enjoy a strawberry-themed birthday party to mark her centenary. Marjorie received a special delivery from the King and a visit from the Lord Lieutenant for Kent, Sussex, and Surrey, who presented her with she received a card and a lovely bouquet of flowers to commemorate her special day.

St. Patrick's Day

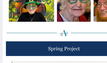


Good Times

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with Irish savory dress, Irish music, and a fond-loving afternoon. Our residents also enjoyed craft activities to decorate our cards in an Irish theme. They participated in a St. Patrick's Day quiz, which added to the festivities.



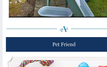
Spring Project



Green Fingers

Almond Valley residents were delighted to establish links with Coldhaus Farm Shop and Kitchen, Sittingbourne, Kent, and Coldhaus Farm Shop and Kitchen will care in their gardens. Together, we will be supporting each other in gardening projects throughout the year. Our residents are looking forward to spending time at Coldhaus Farm Shop and Kitchen, exploring spaces, where we will be able to plant and grow vegetables with the local community.

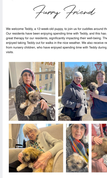
Pet Friend



Furry Friends

We welcomed Teddy, a 12-week old puppy, to join us for Lockdown around the home. Our residents have been enjoying spending time with Teddy, and she has provided great therapy for our residents, significantly impacting their well-being. They have been taking Teddy for walks, feeding her treats, and playing with her. Our residents also hold a nursing exercise to create our Highland Games team for the trial.

Then, in May, at the end of the ten-week challenge, each home will come together for The Highland Games event. Activities such as cake-throwing, haggis toss, whisky tumbler stacking, hook a duck, and darts will all be part of the events, competing against other care homes.



CCC Highland Games

Go Team!

This year, Almond Valley is hosting a CCC Highland Games event. This event aims to promote socialising between care homes as part of an inter-care home challenge. The event started in March and will run for ten weeks, hosting a variety of physical and mental challenges for residents. The aim of the event is to be a team building exercise to create our Highland Games team for the trial.

Home Update

A Warm Welcome

We continue to grow our staff team.

- We would like to welcome nine team members to our kitchen: Chef, Relief and Cleaning Assistants, Steven and Lynda.
- We would also like to welcome Care Coordinator, Emma, Princess, and Care Assistants Angela, Rachel, Nicola, Laura, Ashleigh, Leanne, and Christopher, together with Senior Carer Cathy, have all joined our team.

Our next Relatives' Meeting will be held in July 2023, with the date to be confirmed.

Amazing Achievement

Well Done

We are delighted at Almond Valley to have received a rating of 10 on Care Inspectorate's Care Home Quality Scale. This rating is a testament to our hard work and dedication in making our home a great place for our residents and their families.

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