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# ALDERWOOD CARE HOME

Dear friends

We have had a wonderfully active start to the new year and as spring has bloomed there have been so many events to celebrate! Here's what our spritely residents have been up to recently.



## Easter time

Easter provided lots of opportunities to celebrate with our loved ones whilst indulging in some delicious sweet treats! Our residents had a great time kicking off the celebrations by judging our Easter Cake competition, with showstoppers made by our talented team members! Afterwards, the Easter bunny himself did the rounds and handed out chocolate eggs to everyone. And everyone joined in when it came time for our Easter Egg hunt in the garden with friends and family joining us for the fun! Then on Easter Sunday itself we broke out the décor, donned our bunny ears and had a day of parties and entertainment. Great fun!

## Mother's Day



To Celebrate Mother's Day, our team arranged for a colourful trolley of doughnuts, flowers and balloons and visited our residents, handing them out to everyone to enjoy! Then we were joined by our residents' friends and families to host over 100 Afternoon Teas across our entire home! There was a wonderful atmosphere as our bistros and restaurants bustled with activity. We raised champagne toasts and indulged in everyone's favourite scone toppings; it was utterly delicious. But what was most special was spending the day with loved ones; children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, everyone joined us for a wonderful heartfelt day celebrating our cherished mothers!



## Spring fun



What an eventful spring it's been so far! We've been out and about on day trips to the local bowling alley, sea life centre, country ambles and tipples in the pub! We accompanied our ex-rugby player resident to watch his grandson playing locally, where he enjoyed a pitch-side beer and chips! We took part in a music session with a medieval minstrel who had our residents playing the drums and bagpipes! Then we were thrilled when Woodpecker's Nursery stopped by for an intergenerational lunch and play day. Our residents love spending quality time with their honorary grandchildren – including the kids of our local primary school. Their company is certainly a spritely way to keep us all young!



## Coronation Celebrations



For the Coronation of His Majesty, King Charles III, our home came together with friends and family for a wonderful weekend of parties, music and sumptuous food and drink! In preparation for the big weekend our residents enjoyed getting involved in all manner of royal crafts and baking projects! On Saturday we came together to watch the Coronation live on television with a refreshing glass of bubbly. This was followed by an Afternoon Tea and live music. After watching the ceremony, and due to the typically British weather, we continued the fun inside with live music, a contortionist, lots of lovely food and of course – Pimms! We had lots of people dressed up with faces painted. A truly fantastic day!



With love,  
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**We always love reading your comments on Facebook!  
Here are a few recent ones:**

"Thank you so much for having us. It was lovely to sing for you and hearing some of your residents amazing voices just made it so much more special. Thank you x" Michelle

"One of the special things about Alderwood is how you look after families and help residents to host celebrations like this x" Rosalind

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