

# News from <sup>LXXV</sup> Bridge House CARE HOME

Dear Friends

Well, autumn is firmly here! We have been reflecting on all of the lovely things we've been up to in recent weeks and thought you'd like to see some of our photographs too



## Harvest celebrations

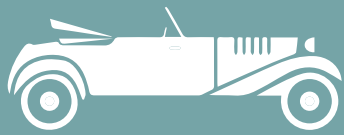
Harvest is the perfect time to come together and give thanks for good food and good friends! Our stunning Harvest display looked better than ever thanks to a generous donation of pumpkins, corn and legumes from our friends at Peachcroft Farm. Following our annual Harvest Festival service, our talented chef team laid on a delicious meal for all to enjoy. Creativity has been flowing this month in our calming colour therapy sessions with residents creating seasonal art work inspired by autumn animals.



## Autumn adventures

It's not every day you get to eat lunch on an aeroplane runway but that's exactly what we did when we visited the Flight Deck Cafe! As our party included RAF veterans we were generously taken around to enjoy some of the incredible planes up close too. Then while the weather was still balmy we headed out to the Cotswold Wildlife Park to take in the beautiful animals, historic house and scenic countryside. We like to be spontaneous, so couldn't resist a visit with our ladies to watch the sun set over the sunflowers at stunning High Lodge Farm, enjoyed with a tippie of course! We love these idyllic autumn days!





## Classic cars and fair fun

We were delighted when our friends at The British Royal Legion Abingdon invited us to join in their Battle of Britain Classic Car Parade. Residents absolutely loved seeing the vintage cars and even got to go for a spin, what a thrill! Then when the Abingdon Michaelmas Fair came to town we decided a little drizzle wouldn't stop us having fun! The bright lights of the carousel and hook-a-duck stall brought back fond childhood memories for our residents so we knew we couldn't miss what is the longest street fair in Europe. To keep everyone toasty we bought hot, freshly cooked doughnuts - a favourite of our sweet toothed residents!



## Movie magic

The film buffs amongst us have been having a wonderful time recently re-creating our favourite movies. First we hosted a decadent Great Gatsby themed soiree. We spent the morning making 'Flapper' style head dresses for everyone to wear before wining and dining our residents with cocktails and canapés. The evening ended with a live performance from an incredible jazz singer, which had everyone on their feet! We then went from the sublime to the crazy and colourful with a Charlie and the Chocolate Factory themed party, complete with a decadent chocolate fountain and sweets galore! Willie Wonka himself made an appearance and our team dressed up as Oompa Loompa's which prompted much singing and dancing. Never a dull moment!



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

"This is brilliant, well done to the home for thinking up unusual exciting entertainment." Paula

"Looks like my mum had a good time at the fair - bless her! Thank you for taking her." Donna

"Everyone looks to be really enjoying themselves. Looks an ideal way to spend a sunny afternoon." Eileen

"Lovely to see all these happy smiling faces" Jennifer

