



News from ^{LXXV} Bridge House CARE HOME



Dear friends

We hope, like us, you have been enjoying the winter festivities, cherishing the gifts of love and friendship as we look to the year ahead. Here is a little round up of what we got up to before we welcomed in 2022!



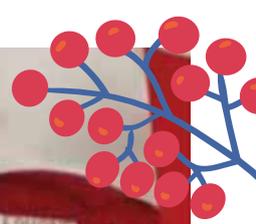
A cosy autumn

The end of the year brought lots of fun to Bridge House. We kicked things off with lively Halloween celebrations when we opened our very own Witches Café. We had black cat cookies and a 'Trick or Treat' station bursting with sweets for everyone to enjoy! For the creatives amongst us, we also made floral pumpkin displays. Instead of carving spooky faces, we used the pumpkins as flower vases for an autumnal creation to absolutely stunning effect! Then as the nights started to draw in, we cosied up for the return of our cheese and wine parties and enjoyed all the traditional treats when Bonfire Night rolled round.



Remembrance Day

Our thoughtful residents always like to mark Remembrance Day with poignant tributes. So we hosted a week of meaningful activities that allowed everyone to remember the fallen in their own way. Residents crafted a Poppy memorial to display in our home as a focal point for their thoughts and prayers. We are proud to have veterans amongst our residents here at Bridge House, and it was an honour to see them display their medals and share their stories with us. Finally, we arranged for the Abingdon Town Band to play The Last Post as we gathered together. A truly touching day.





Winter wonderland

As soon as December arrived our home was filled with festive cheer. We kicked things off with rickshaw rides through Abingdon, followed by a visit from Santa Claus himself! Inside Bridge House we created a magical winter wonderland for our residents to enjoy. Each room was filled with beautiful trees, garlands and decorations. Our residents joined in too, creating wonderful festive wreaths to display on their front doors. Then, as Christmas is a time for giving back, we hosted a Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children, where we all wore our most colourful knitwear for a great cause!



A magical visit



When we transformed our home into a Lapland-worthy residence, it was inevitable that we would attract Santa's reindeer! Yes, our residents were thrilled when Rudolph and his pals stopped by for our Christmas lights switch on! In the midst of all the excitement where we enjoyed mulled wine and mince pies in the Bistro, each resident had a chance to enjoy a moment of calm with these majestic animals. It was wonderful to see the happiness on everyone's faces, in fact we've not stopped talking about them ever since!



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

"Fantastic as usual!" Laura

"Wow, a winter wonderland. Christmas has arrived at Bridge House. Superb photos!" Mark

"It all looks so wonderful and what makes it so special is getting the residents involved, which we love to see!" Jennifer



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