Bridge House LXXV
CARE HOME

Summer Newsletter

As the days grow longer and warmer, we find ourselves deeply thankful as we reflect on the meaningful moments and cherished connections we've shared over the past few months. I hope these bright memories, like this new season, fill you with joy and warmth.

Roll up, roll up!

Our circus-themed summer fayre brought residents, families and the local community together for an afternoon of fun and entertainment. Our residents soaked up the lively atmosphere, enjoying live music, delicious treats, colourful stalls, traditional games and a spectacular circus act. We were also delighted to welcome the Mayor of Abingdon-on-Thames, Andrew Skinner, who embraced the circus spirit by trying his hand at Hook-a-Duck and plate spinning! Best of all, the celebrations gave residents a wonderful opportunity to spend time with loved ones.

Friendships that last

Our monthly Butterflies Memory Café has been bringing people together since 2023, and we've loved seeing lasting friendships blossom along the way. The café welcomes people living with memory loss, their families and carers to enjoy themed activities, guest speakers and entertainment alongside our residents. It offers a friendly, supportive place to share experiences, meet others on a similar journey and make new connections. One of our very first café guests enjoyed becoming part of the Bridge House community so much that she now proudly calls our home her own!

A taste of Nigeria

In July, our monthly Languages Café took residents on a wonderful journey to Nigeria, celebrating its rich culture, traditions and heritage. Team members shared traditional food, music, colourful clothing and energetic dancing, alongside a fascinating presentation about the country. The afternoon was particularly special for resident John, who lived in Nigeria for 11 years and enjoyed sharing fond memories of his time there. It was a lovely example of how our Languages Cafés can spark reminiscence while celebrating the diverse cultures within our Bridge House family.

Where care grows and community thrives

Over the summer, our residents have been admiring how far our sustainability garden has come since planting wildflowers in April. With plenty of green-fingered enthusiasm, they helped transform an unused patch into a colourful, biodiverse space to relax and connect with nature. We entered the garden into Abingdon Town Council's Patch for the Planet competition and will find out how we did in autumn. Cllr Gabby Barody also paid a visit, giving residents the opportunity to proudly show her the garden and all their hard work.

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"I have been consistently impressed with the care my mum receives. She is happy and very content there."

LH

"Nursing care is excellent, giving peace of mind. All staff go above and beyond. Thank you to every one of you."

Fiona

"The home is amply staffed with friendly carers. The staff do their best to be kind and helpful to their residents."

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With love

Marta Leszko | Home Manager

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