

Dear friends,

We enjoyed the Christmas festivities and have been reflecting on the love, laughter and memories made over the past year. We hope you enjoy our round up of the past few months.



Spreading festive cheer

Claremont Court was decked with a stunning light display as we ushered in the festive season. Treats and refreshments were served to residents, their loved ones and community guests at our Christmas fair, along with a special visit from Santa in his grotto. Christmas is always such a special time of year, and we were delighted to welcome the community into the home to celebrate. Christmas brings back so many wonderful memories of family time and Christmases gone by for our residents, and this was the perfect way to celebrate.

Horses bring back cherished memories

The lovely Anne was delighted with a visit from some beautiful horses as part of our memory tree initiative to reconnect residents with their passions in life. Anne is a lifelong horse lover who now lives with dementia and it was clear how much the visit meant to her. The look on Anne's face was really special and to see her smiling with her family when the horses arrived was just wonderful. Our memory tree initiative is something we are really proud of as it helps our residents who are living with dementia to connect with the things that they love, but also enjoy new experiences.



And the winner is...

We are very excited to announce that Claremont Court won the Dementia Care Award at the South East Great British Care Awards 2023. The team are thrilled with the achievement, and we are now looking forward to the upcoming national final in March. This win recognises our dedication to dementia care. It's not just a title, but a reminder of the responsibility we hold toward our residents' wellbeing. Beyond the celebration, it shows that we are continually improving care standards, ensuring our residents experience dignity and compassion every day and we want to continue to elevate our care standards.





Community ties

Earlier this year, Carebase set all of its homes a Making a Difference Challenge to forge and strengthen links with our communities. We chose Guildford Action (GA), a local charity that supports people experiencing homelessness and isolated families. Our idea was to create a relationship to enhance the lives of both our residents and Guildford Action's clients, and we are delighted to announce that we won the competition. During the summer we hosted coffee mornings, a farm visit, an after-school club, as well as visiting the GA hub to play bingo. We have a lot more ideas in the pipeline, such as a buddy scheme and family fun days and are excited to be able to continue our relationship with Guildford Action.

With love,

Karen Byres

Home Manager

Claremont Court Care Home, Harts Gardens, Guildford GU2 9QA, Tel: 01483 924 547

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

"It was a lovely afternoon, thank you for all your hard work in putting it on." Joanna

"Absolutely love this place. My mum is very happy here. Thank you to all the lovely people who care so deeply for our family." Jackie

"Again, I applaud you. Wonderful team of people." Jenny

If you don't wish to receive future newsletter updates from us, please email us at marketing@carebase.org.uk and we'll of course, remove you from our list.