

News from



# ASHBROOK COURT CARE HOME

Dear friends

As we begin a new year, we've been reflecting on all the fun we've had over the last few months with our friends and family at Ashbrook Court.



## A heart-warming Halloween

We had an extra special guest in October when 2 year-old Isla delighted our residents with a very special game of Trick or Treat! Dressed in her adorable witch costume, Isla made sure there were no tricks, only treats this Halloween bringing a smile to everyone's face as she went to each resident handing out sweets from her cauldron! Earlier that week, our residents got creative carving pumpkins, so our home looked suitably spooky for the wonderful Halloween party our team members planned for the day itself! There was fancy dress, delicious food and drink, and live music that had everyone up on the dance floor singing along!

## Remembrance Day

We took the opportunity for a mindful moment on Remembrance Sunday by starting the morning with some arts and crafts. Nothing quiets the mind and focuses our thoughts like art therapy, and our residents came together in the lounge to paint pictures and decorate cardboard poppies for our home. Whilst we crafted, we took time to share the memories the day brought up. It was a poignant and meaningful way to pay tribute to the fallen. Later we adorned the lounge with our artwork and came together to pay our respects whilst watching the ceremony live from The Cenotaph.



## Special guests

We are lucky at Ashbrook Court to have so many furry friends who like to pay our residents a visit. When dachshunds Charlie and Cherry came to visit they ensured no one missed out on cuddles! Loki the Havanese is a bundle of energy who never fails to make us all smile. Our Pet Therapy sessions bring so much happiness to our home, but it's not just dogs who pay us a visit. Thanks to Performing Pets, our residents had a wonderful time recently cosying up with a pair of cute piglets! The farm animals brought so much laughter to our day, we can't wait to have them back again!



## A festive season of fun

When December came around, we decided to launch our Christmas celebrations in the most joyous way we knew how; by inviting Santa's reindeer to help us switch on the Christmas lights! Our residents were delighted when the majestic animals arrived as our guests of honour, making the event even more magical as the lights display transformed our home into a sparkling winter wonderland! From that moment on, we enjoyed a wonderful festive season of carol singing, fun-filled parties, mince pies and mulled wine, cosy nights in and entertaining days out! All surrounded by our wonderful friends – just the way it should be!



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

"Just lovely, well done Ashbrook for making special new memories for your residents." Jenny

"Keep up the good work! You're all amazing, well done xxxx" Dolly

"You have given my dad a new lease of Life. He is so happy at Ashbrook Court. Thank you to all the staff for making Christmas so special." Jacque



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