

News from

# ACORN COURT 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 Acorn Court. We got creative for Halloween, carving and decorating pumpkins with paint, glitter and even some wigs! Then it was time for our Pumpkin Ball! There was some fabulous fancy dress, devilishly divine treats and ghoulishly fun party games. Then it was up on the dance floor for a boogie thanks to live entertainment from local musician, Paul Stanworth. The festivities continued when Bonfire Night rolled round as we snuggled up under our blankets to watch the fireworks outside. Such a cosy time of year!

## Remembrance Day

Our thoughtful residents always like to mark Remembrance Day with poignant activities in our home. So, we visited the Horley War Memorial to lay some beautiful floral arrangements that had been lovingly created by our residents. Then we came home and lifted our spirits by reminiscing about our favourite wartime songs. On the morning of the 11th, we gathered together once more for our very own service. Here we honoured the fallen with prayers, hymns and some beautiful poems read aloud by our residents. We then observed the minute's silence. It was truly touching.



# Winter wonderland

As soon as December arrived our home was filled with festive cheer. We packed our schedule with all manner of jolly activities, including trips to the aptly named Snow Hill Garden Centre. We decorated mini Christmas trees and crafted cards to send as gifts to our loved ones. We also ran a Gingerbread House decorating competition, where our chef team judged who should be named 'Star Baker'. Finally, our home welcomed some special visitors in the form of two Shetland ponies! The delightful Tinkerbelle and Blossom from our local animal therapy centre brought festive cheer to all our residents when they popped by wearing adorable Santa costumes!



## Acorn's Advent Calendar

This Christmas our team made a trio of giant Advent calendars for all our residents to enjoy. The spectacular 12ft calendars were distributed throughout the three floors of our home and the first door contained a homemade Christmas card from five-year-old Connie who lives across the road. Connie became a firm favourite with residents last year when she posted regular messages and cheerful pictures outside her home. The remainder of our Advent windows were then generously filled by local businesses who donated festive food, crafts and toiletries for all to enjoy!



We wish you a Happy New Year from our home to yours.

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

"They all look like they are having a really great time. Well done Acorn!" Mavis

"What a wonderful day! You put so much effort into these activities! Fabulous times for all residents and staff!" Jackie

"The decor is amazing, love it!" Ruth



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