the local community and further afield when we are able - Bourton on the Water is always a firm favourite as well as local Garden Centres, The Vineyard, local beauty spots, Arboretums, Country houses and beautiful parks have all become regular destinations for us.

Our Care
Oriel House is run by our experienced management team, with understanding, compassionate and fully trained staff, who endeavour to provide a happy and homely atmosphere. Residents are able to receive continual care, companionship and security. We offer a comprehensive range of visiting specialists from chiropody, physiotherapy, hairdressing, provided weekly, aromatherapy, beauty and skin care and also covering dental and optical problems. Our dedicated members of staff provide twenty four hour care and support that each resident needs in order to maintain their independence, dignity and freedom of choice. Oriel aims to provide an attractive, tastefully furnished, caring environment and encourages independent living wherever possible. We motivate individuals to be as alert and active as possible by offering regular activities within the home and out in the local community.

Respite Care
Caring for a loved one can be rewarding, but sometimes a short break and having some time off is necessary for both of you. This gives carers the time to recharge their batteries in the knowledge that their loved ones are receiving 24-hour care. However Oriel House can only provide respite care when a room becomes available between our permanent placements. You can consider respite care if you fall ill and need additional support or if you are planning a holiday and require someone to look after your loved one while you are away. Respite care also gives you the chance to ‘get to know’ a care home, the way it works, its staff and the other residents. This could be a real benefit for the future, should your care needs change and a more permanent move to a care home becomes necessary.
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The rear of the building enjoys the solitude of a quiet suburban cul de sac with small gardens and parking space. There are fully stocked gardens, walkways, patios and seating areas. We are proud to have won the “Stourbridge Gardens in Bloom” award on several occasions.

There are many activities adapted and designed for our residents to look forward to and enjoy. Our varied activities program incorporates all national and local celebrations. We try not to overlook any one occasion that we feel may be of an interest in some way to any of our residents.

Experience has shown that the Oriel House philosophy of promoting active minds and bodies improves well-being.

Residents often begin to enjoy new activities or take part in outings that they previously thought were impractical or impossible. Some of the activities we offer here at Oriel are gentle aerobics, communications therapy, painting and crafts, pianists, sing-along songs and musical recitals. Holy Communion, memory lane, card and board games, weekly quizzes, daily walks and pets as therapy.

Our in-house Activities Co-ordinator keeps in contact with resident’s family and friends who are invited to attend any of the activities and events that are held here at Oriel. We regularly take our residents out on trips to destinations of their choice (pub lunches, shopping trips, numerous theatre visits, garden centres, and coffee shops), we also like to go further afield on day trips and holidays.

Beech House

Beech House provides 24-hour residential care for up to four people. Adjacent to our main premises Beech House offers a safe haven for residents who prefer to live in a smaller, more homely setting. The home is supervised and serviced by our fully trained and professional staff.

In keeping with Oriel House, it is tastefully furnished and has a communal lounge, kitchen and the added benefit of wet room facilities. The first floor is accessible by passenger lift and the large bedrooms have en-suites for maximum privacy. Leading out on to the garden area, there is a sunny terrace with bench seats, shading umbrellas, shrubs and pots readily available for residents to enjoy.

Meals

Here at Oriel we pride ourselves in providing fresh, wholesome, well balanced and nutritious home-cooked food. Tea and coffee are always available for our visitors and resident’s families are welcome to join us for a meal as long as twenty four hours notice is given. Oriel menus are designed to offer in season alternatives, preparing lighter options during the summer months and more comforting food during the winter months, including diets rich in sources of: protein, carbohydrates, vitamins, minerals, pulses, grains, dairy products and good fats as well as the necessary 5 a day: fruits and vegetables required to maintain a healthy diet.

Our team have the luxury of utilising fresh, local and home grown produce which is readily available to us. Oriels’ catering department has received the “Silver Award in Food and Health from the local authority and following our recent inspection by the Foods Standard Agency we were granted 5 out of 5 in our Food Hygiene Rating.”

Accommodation

Residents can enjoy a variety of tastefully furnished, modern light and airy bedrooms and most have private en-suite bathrooms. The newly decorated rooms have colourful tones with matching, curtains and soft furnishings. They are all equipped with the technology to provide a safe, secure and reassuring environment and all with emergency call bells.

Residents can bring their own belongings into the home to create a more personal and individual style within their room should they wish to do so. We have extended the home to include a large, comfortable Orangery. We have fully stocked, landscaped gardens and patio areas for residents to enjoy.

Entertainment

A variety of quality entertainers visit Oriel House offering music, dance, pantomime and other interesting recreational activities. We have sing-along, easy listening, swing, classical singers, groups and choirs. Music is always a very welcome component to our programmes and appear to be looked forward to and enjoyed by most of our residents.

Included amongst our regular visitors are local clergy from all denominations offering Holy Communion services once each month to residents. Charity fund raising events are organised from time to time - these are hugely popular and are well supported by relatives and friends.

Local Community

Local school children play a large part in offering regular visits entertaining us with seasonal songs. We have regular contact with local schools and colleges offering students placements of work experience when studying Health and Social Care courses. We are also lucky to have regular volunteers who help us at Oriel and also join us as escorts on our trips and days out.

Outings and Day Trips

Places such as Weston Super Mare are just one of the destinations for our days out as we like to travel far and wide. We regularly take trips into