

The orielcare NEWSLETTER

Activities

The activities survey also revealed how our residents enjoy flower arranging, crafts, pen-pal scheme with Greenfields School, cooking and colouring. Our programme now includes all of these activities. We also offer colouring books, word searches, Sudoku, and jigsaw puzzles so that residents can access an activity independently and to inspire their creative side whenever they like!



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Group Outings

Over the last year we have been creating a person-centred activity programme for the residents, where they have all taken part in a survey. This survey revealed that residents wanted to take part in more external outings, so as a result outings we have taken as a group are Merry Hill, Safari Park, The Sea Life Centre, and many different Garden centres just to name a few! The outings are always to the resident's preferences and feedback is sought afterwards to get a view on likes and dislikes.

COMING SOON Social Media

Oriel Care will be launching across some of the most popular social media platforms in 2020. We are excited to be bringing this to you this February and we hope you are too.

Twitter Instagram

News Blog Facebook

Read our latest news blogs directly from our new website, launches soon at www.orielcare.co.uk



Congratulations to our NEW Deputies
Liz & Kerry

Proprietor's message

Dear Readers,

As we reach the second anniversary since the change of ownership at Oriel House, I would like to take a moment to reflect on some of the improvements we have made within the home.

During our last inspection by the Care Quality Commission, a few areas for improvement were highlighted. In order to address those areas, my Management Team and I have put measures in place to ensure the comfort, safety and well-being of our residents. The team is also being supported by our very own Care Quality Advisor, Colin Hill. Colin is responsible for ensuring that care standards are being delivered at a high level, so that our residents receive care in a dignified manner. I'm sure Colin will introduce himself to you during your next visit to the home, but in the meantime please join me in welcoming him to the team.

On the subject of appointments, I would like to congratulate Kerry Faux and Liz Starkey as they have recently been promoted to the role of Deputy Managers. Both Kerry and Liz have been employed at Oriel for a number of years in Senior positions and felt that they would like to progress their careers to the next step. I am thrilled that Kerry and Liz have chosen to build on their careers at Oriel, and I am confident that they will be successful in their new positions supporting our Registered Manager. Well done Kerry and Liz!

Looking forward, we have lots of events planned for Spring & Summer. You may be aware that Beccy, our Activities Co-ordinator, has refreshed Oriel's activities programme based on feedback from our residents. Beccy really has pulled out all of the stops and, as a result we are now offering more activities in the community and also one to one activities for residents who prefer to be involved in a smaller setting. Great work Beccy!

Until the next time and with every good wish.

Pete Saini
On behalf of Oriel Healthcare Ltd



One to One Outing's

Since Autumn we have extended our activities programme to offer more one to one outings, so that residents get to choose where they would like to go in the community. This means that they get to spend some quality time with a member of staff and build friendships. Some of these trips have included Stourbridge Town for a coffee, the pub for a pint, walks around the local area, and visits to the garden centres.

Charity Donations

As you may know we like to support our local charities, therefore we have been raising money for the Alzheimer's Society through our Christmas Party Elf Day! We have also sold Christmas cards with funds being donated to Mary's Stevens Hospice.



Birthday Celebrations

We always try to make birthdays special occasions for our residents, celebrating with a glass of sherry, birthday cake and a sing-along.

Forthcoming Events

February Saturday 1st Tuesday 4th Wednesday 5th Friday 14th Thursday 20th	Digni-Tea Community Tea at the Gigmill Holy Communion Entertainment from Funtime theatre for Valentine's cocktail party Friendship Group at Gigmill Church	Tuesday 14th	Easter Entertainment from Funtime theatre
March Tuesday 3rd Wednesday 4th Tuesday 10th Thursday 19th	Community tea at Gigmill Church Holy Communion Entertainment from Austin the violinist Friendship Group at Gigmill Church	May Friday 1st Tuesday 5th Wednesday 6th Friday 8th Thursday 14th Saturday 16th Thursday 21st	Residents and Relatives Meeting Community Tea Holy Communion Entertainment of the 75th anniversary for VE day Entertainment from Austin Entertain for Arms Forces Day Friendship Group
April Wednesday 1st Tuesday 7th	Holy Communion Community Tea at Gigmill Church	June Tuesday 2nd Wednesday 3rd Thursday 18th Tuesday 30th	Community Tea Holy Communion Friendship Group Entertainment from Austin

Christmas at Oriel

Here are a few of the events that we have enjoyed over the festive period.

A group of residents went to the Stourbridge Town Hall to see Aladdin which also raised funds for Mary's Stevens Hospice. The residents had a wonderful time and the Dame even came down to greet us!

We enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of entertainment from Debbie Miles, where the residents got into the swing of our Christmas party.

They even took part in acting out the 12 days of Christmas!

With a spin on tradition we took an adventurous path and enjoyed a visit from Zoo Lab who offer a "Pets as Therapy" service. They brought stick insects, nude guinea pigs, centipedes, spiders and lots more. The residents put on a brave face and managed to hold a few whilst enjoying the learning experience of hearing about

the different species.

We opened up the home and came together for an Elf Christmas party, and also raised money for the Alzheimer's Society in the process. All of the residents found humour in the fact that the staff dressed up as Elves!

The residents also came together as one to enjoy a traditional afternoon tea here at Oriel. We had Carols with Tony Bridgewater leading at the piano, and a special visit from Santa!

