



INTRODUCTION

Message From Our Manager

Dear Families and Friends,

As we look back over the last few months, it has been a joy to see our home buzzing with activity, creativity, and lots of visitors. From themed celebrations and musical moments to meaningful community events and cuddly visitors, our residents have embraced every opportunity to connect, reminisce, and try something new. These shared experiences are at the heart of what we do - supporting well-being, independence, and a real sense of belonging. Thank you to our wonderful staff, families, entertainers, and community partners for helping to make this such a memorable quarter.

If you know someone who would like to receive our email newsletters/updates just let us know, or forward them the newsletter sign up link below:

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Best wishes,

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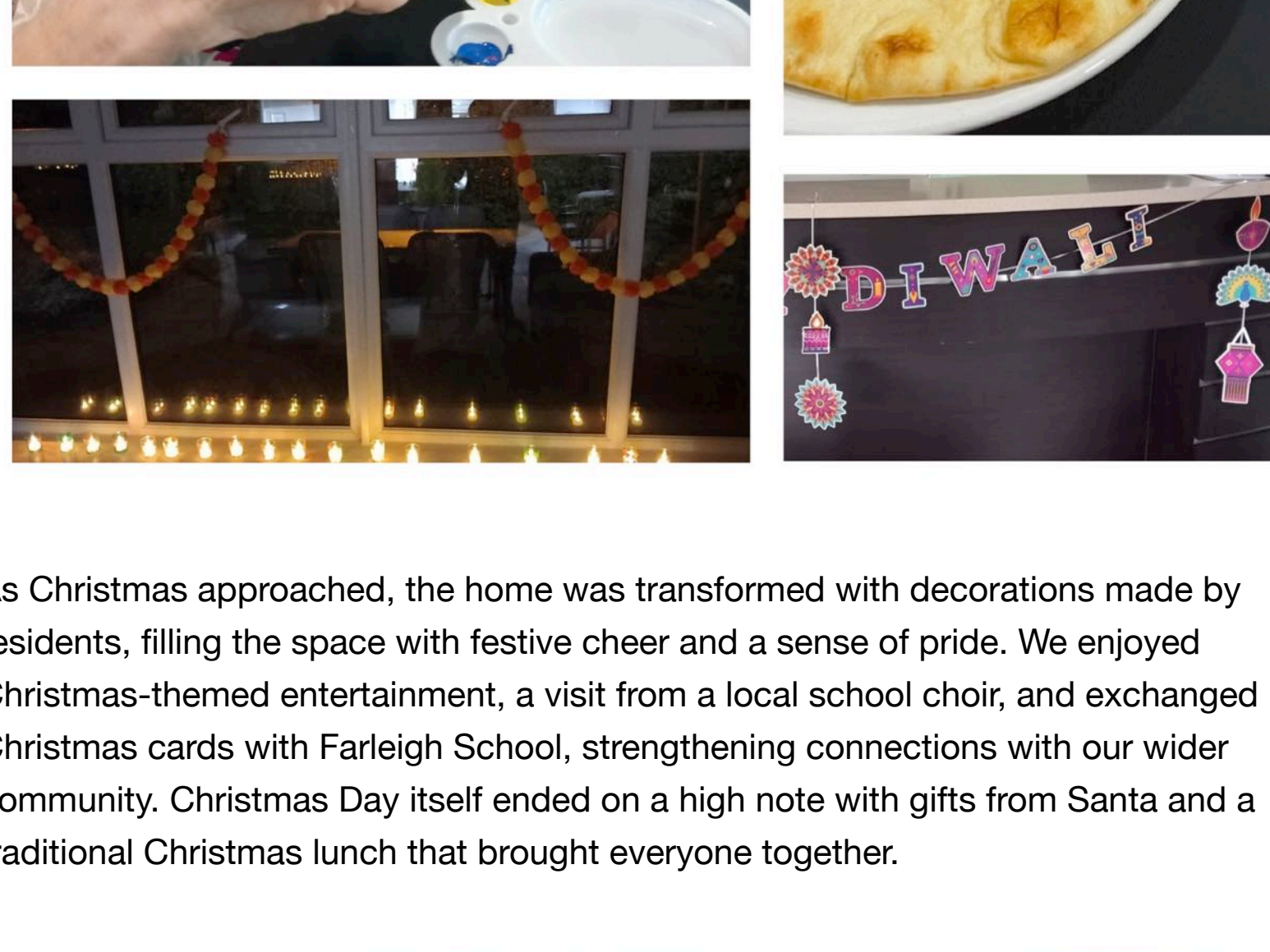
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General Manager



FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating Diwali & Christmas

We embraced cultural celebrations with warmth and curiosity. For Diwali, residents painted tea lights, enjoyed an armchair tour of India, and shared a traditional meal while learning about the Festival of Lights. It was a lovely opportunity to explore new traditions while enjoying familiar creative activities.



As Christmas approached, the home was transformed with decorations made by residents, filling the space with festive cheer and a sense of pride. We enjoyed Christmas-themed entertainment, a visit from a local school choir, and exchanged Christmas cards with Farleigh School, strengthening connections with our wider community. Christmas Day itself ended on a high note with gifts from Santa and a traditional Christmas lunch that brought everyone together.

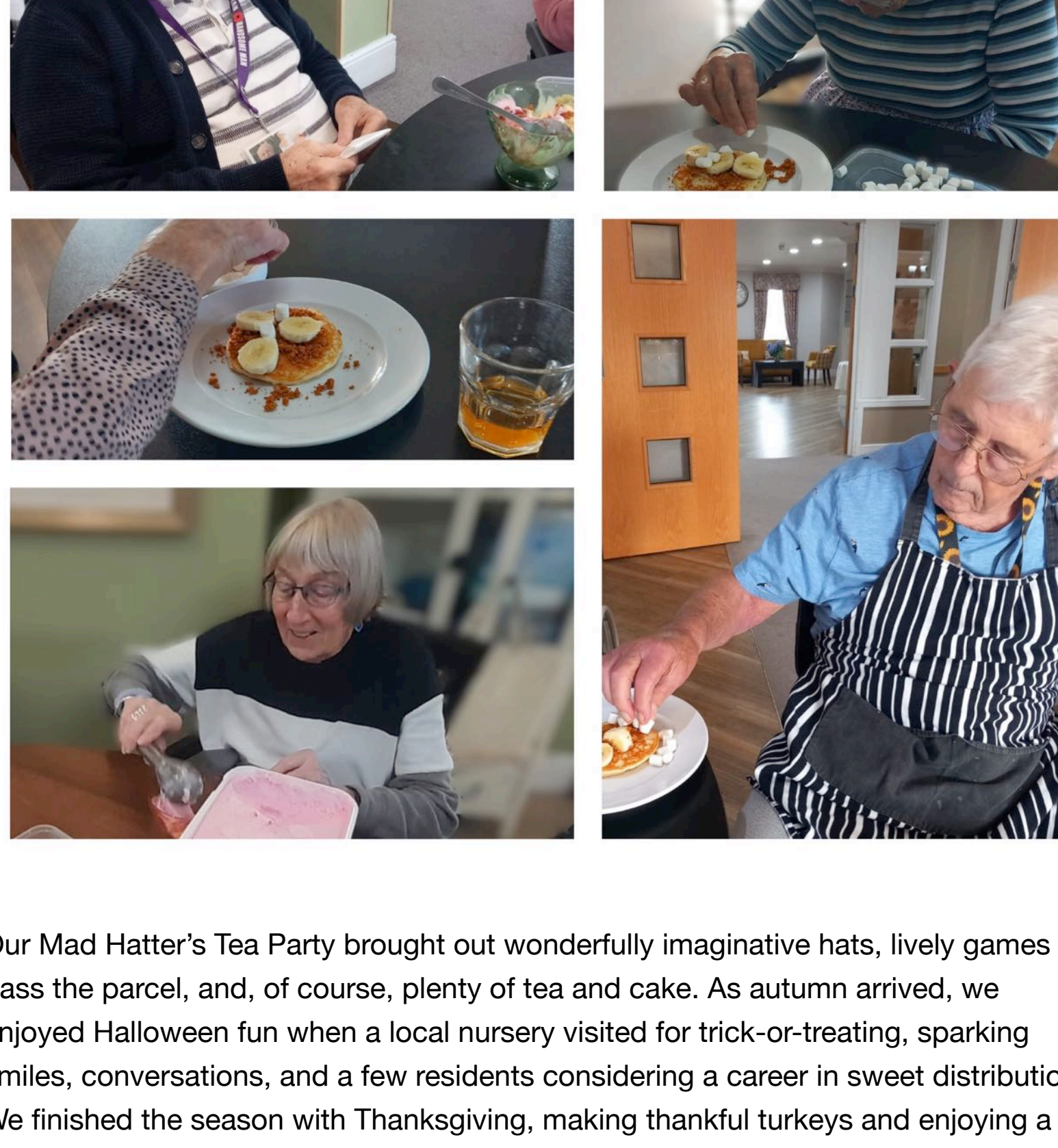


Celebrating these occasions helps residents feel included, valued, and connected - both to each other and to the world around them.

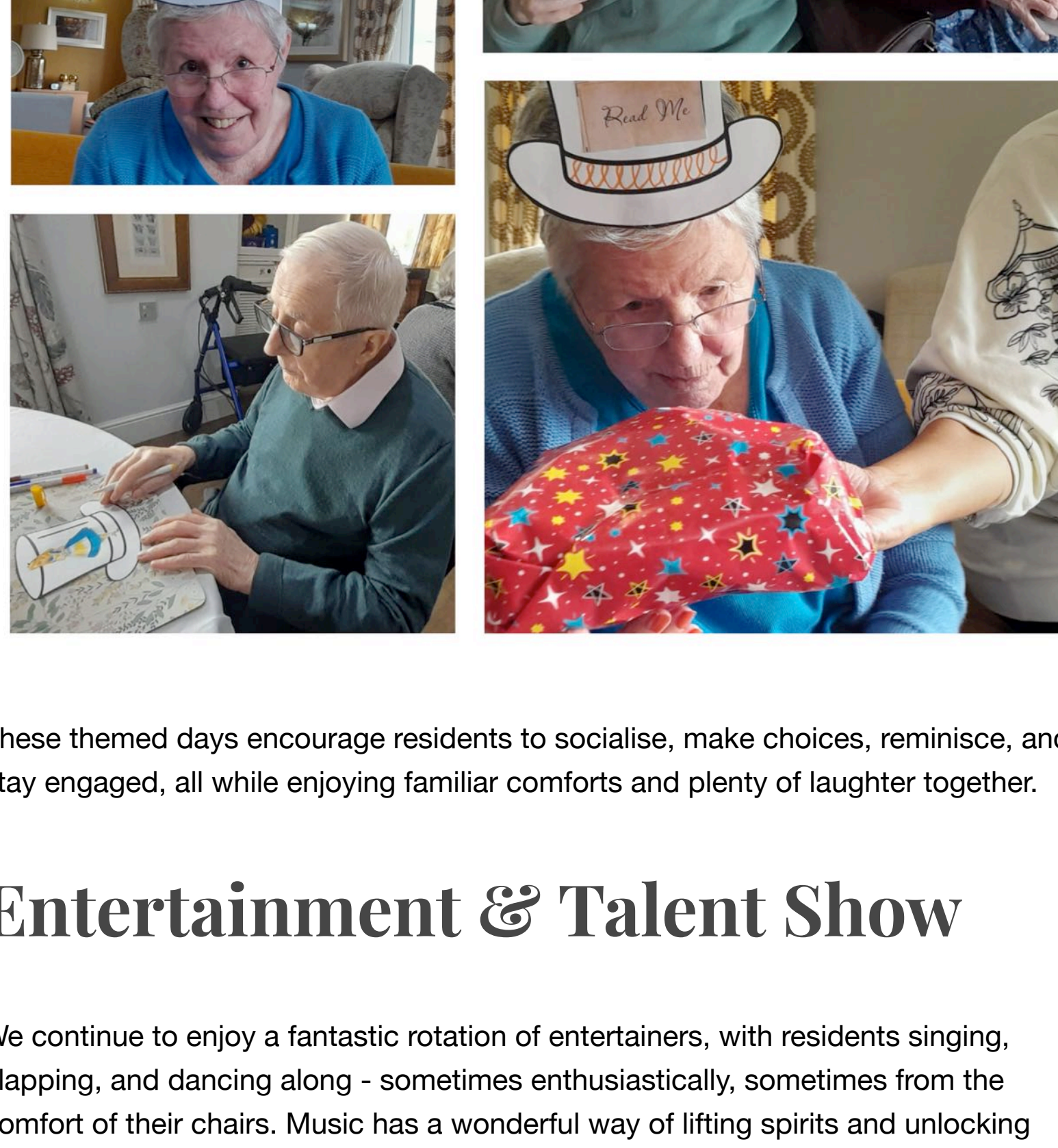
ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Themed Days

Our themed days have been a real feast for the senses this quarter. We marked International Pizza and Beer Day with residents rolling up their sleeves to make sweet pizzas, followed by a hearty lunch of Beef & Guinness pie and vegetarian pizza tart - proving that food always tastes better when you've had a hand in making it. On International Ice Cream Day, residents created their own towering sundaes, choosing their favourite flavours and toppings (with very little restraint!).



Our Mad Hatter's Tea Party brought out wonderfully imaginative hats, lively games of pass the parcel, and, of course, plenty of tea and cake. As autumn arrived, we enjoyed Halloween fun when a local nursery visited for trick-or-treating, sparking smiles, conversations, and a few residents considering a career in sweet distribution. We finished the season with Thanksgiving, making thankful turkeys and enjoying a traditional lunch with a British twist - and thankfully no marshmallows on sweet potatoes in sight!

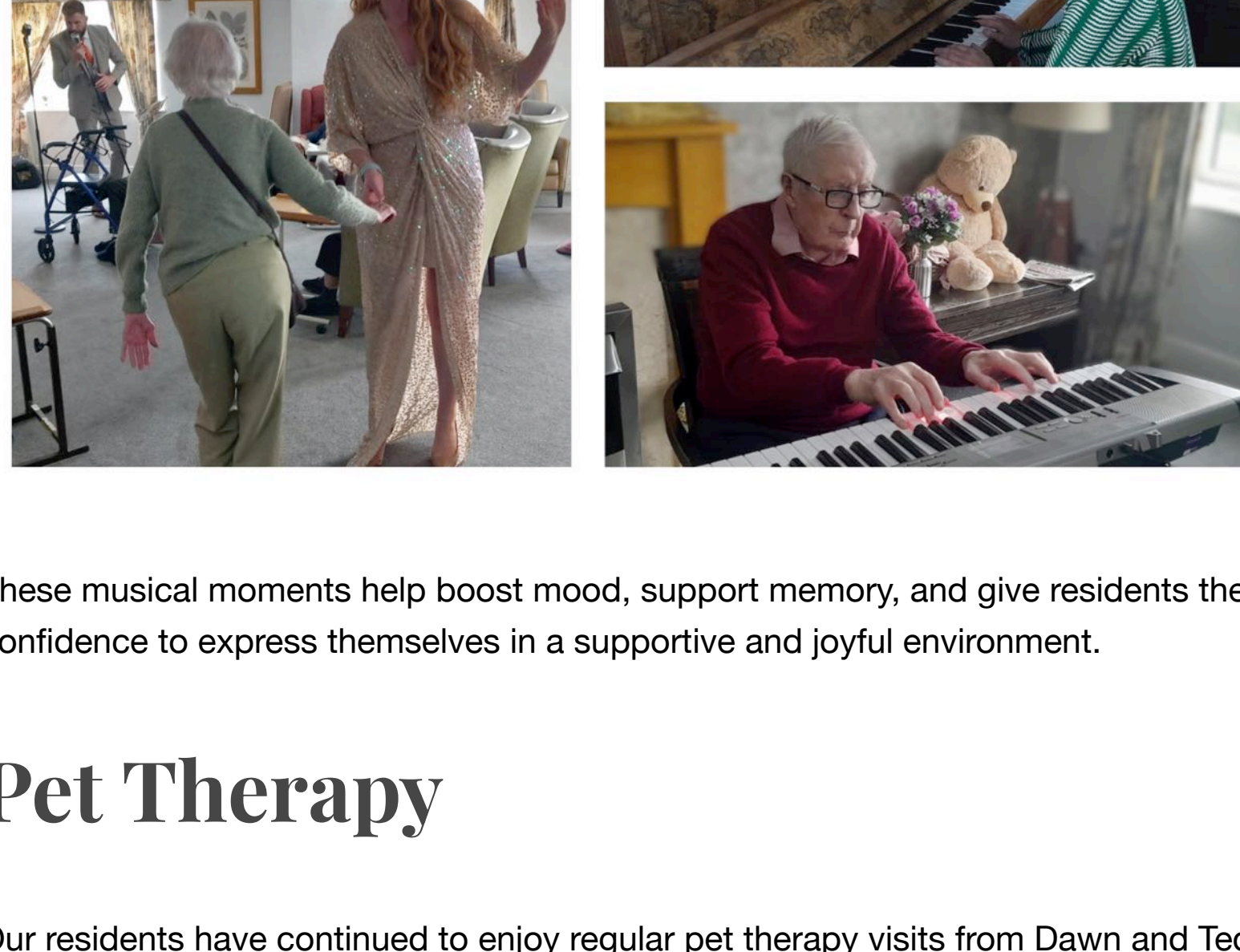


These themed days encourage residents to socialise, make choices, reminisce, and stay engaged, all while enjoying familiar comforts and plenty of laughter together.

Entertainment & Talent Show

We continue to enjoy a fantastic rotation of entertainers, with residents singing, clapping, and dancing along - sometimes enthusiastically, sometimes from the comfort of their chairs. Music has a wonderful way of lifting spirits and unlocking memories, and it has been lovely to see residents light up as familiar tunes fill the room.

A real highlight was our Harrier Grange Talent Show, where residents and staff bravely showcased their skills. From singing to storytelling, it was a celebration of confidence, creativity, and individuality. The applause was loud, the smiles were wide, and it reminded us all that talent doesn't retire.



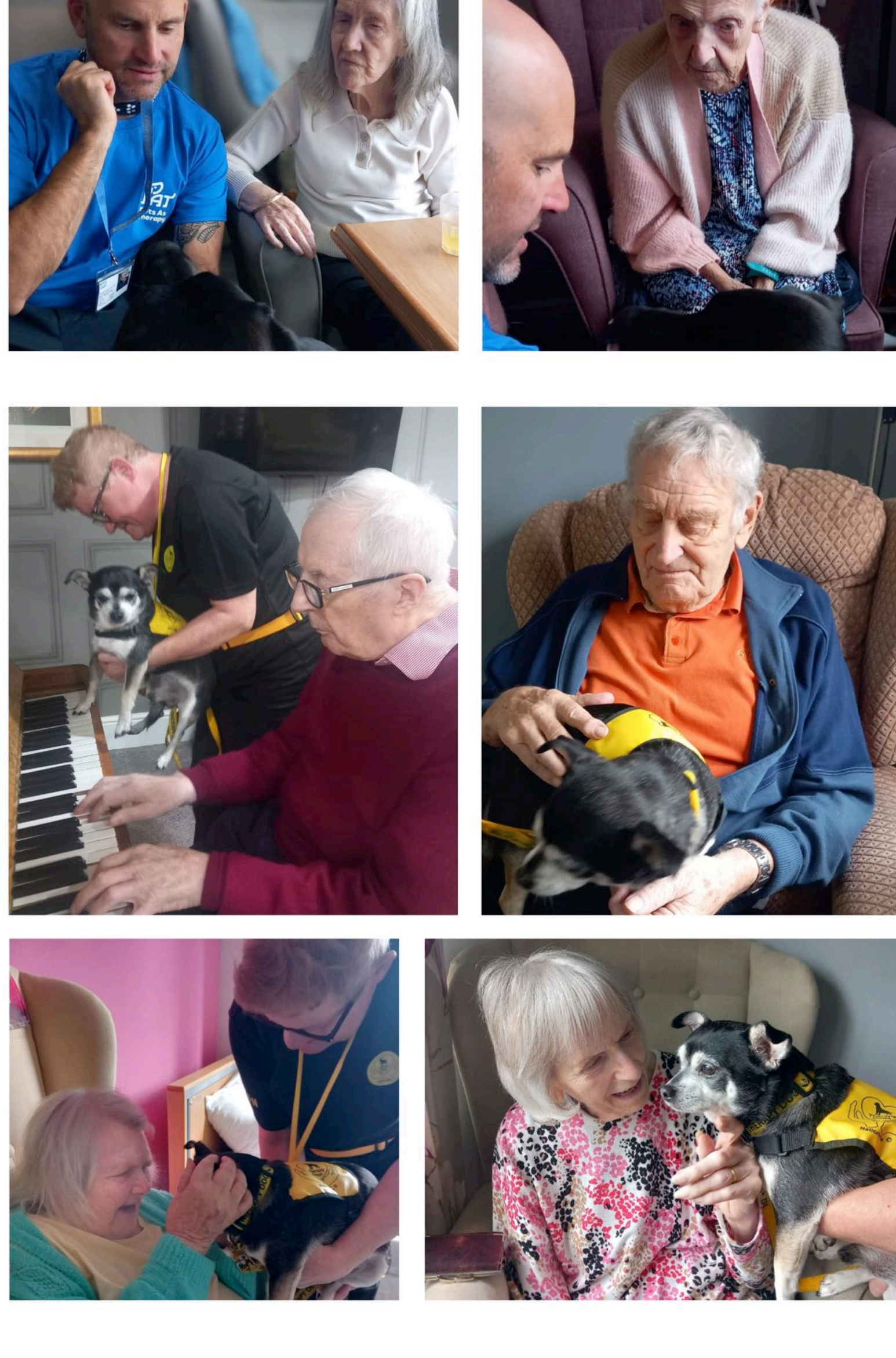
These musical moments help boost mood, support memory, and give residents the confidence to express themselves in a supportive and joyful environment.

Pet Therapy

Our residents have continued to enjoy regular pet therapy visits from Dawn and Ted, and we were delighted to welcome our newest furry friends, Tim and Borolo.

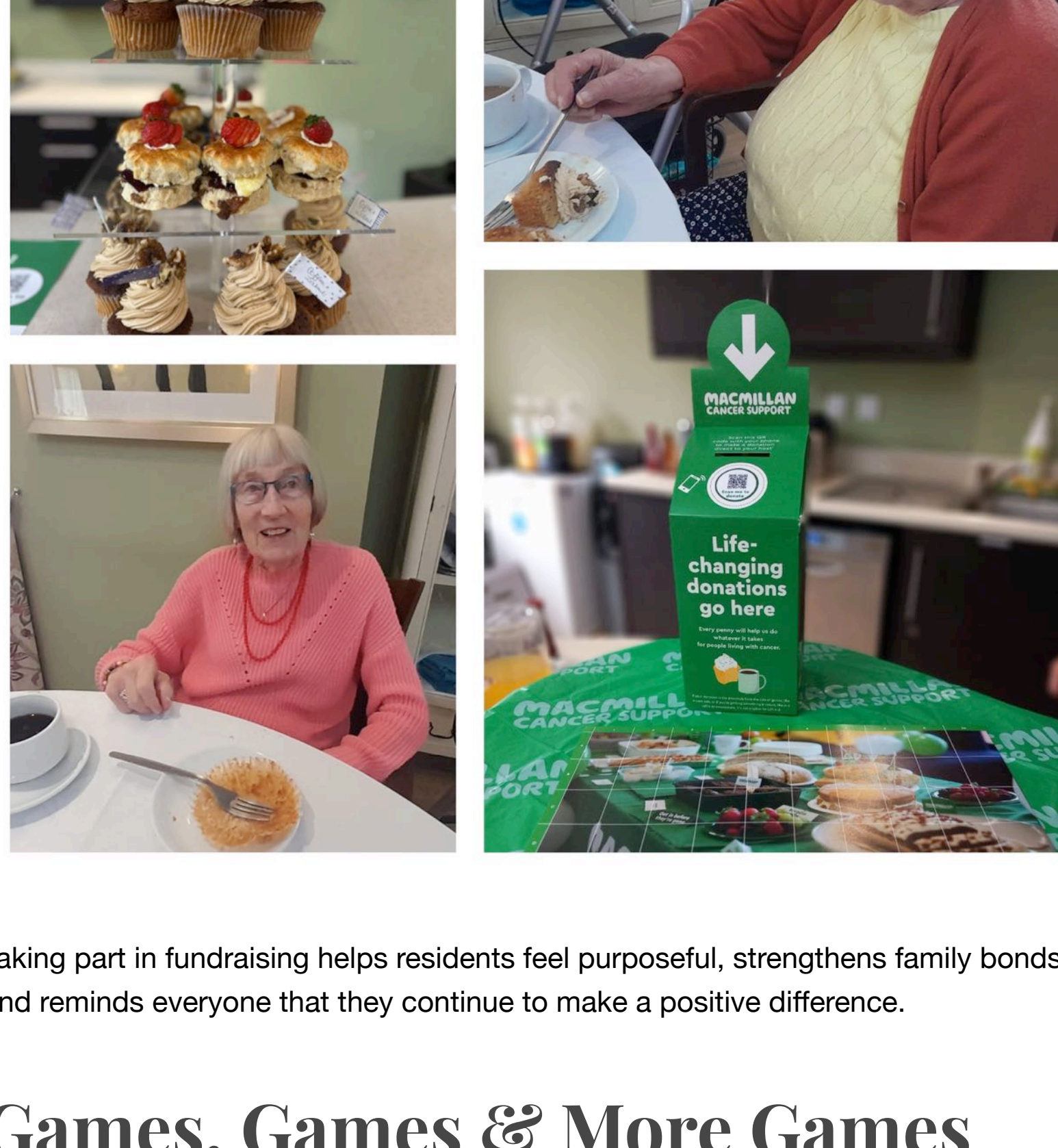
Whether it's a gentle stroke, a wagging tail, or a quiet cuddle, these visits bring instant comfort and joy. Even the most reserved residents can't help but smile - and pets, after all, are excellent listeners who never rush anyone.

Pet therapy offers companionship, reduces stress, encourages conversation, and provides calming, meaningful interactions that brighten everyone's day.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Residents and families came together for our Macmillan Coffee Morning, raising funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Our talented chefs baked a delicious selection of cakes, while residents enjoyed a themed quiz and good company. Together, we raised £55, proving that a shared cause, a bit of teamwork, and some excellent baking can go a long way.

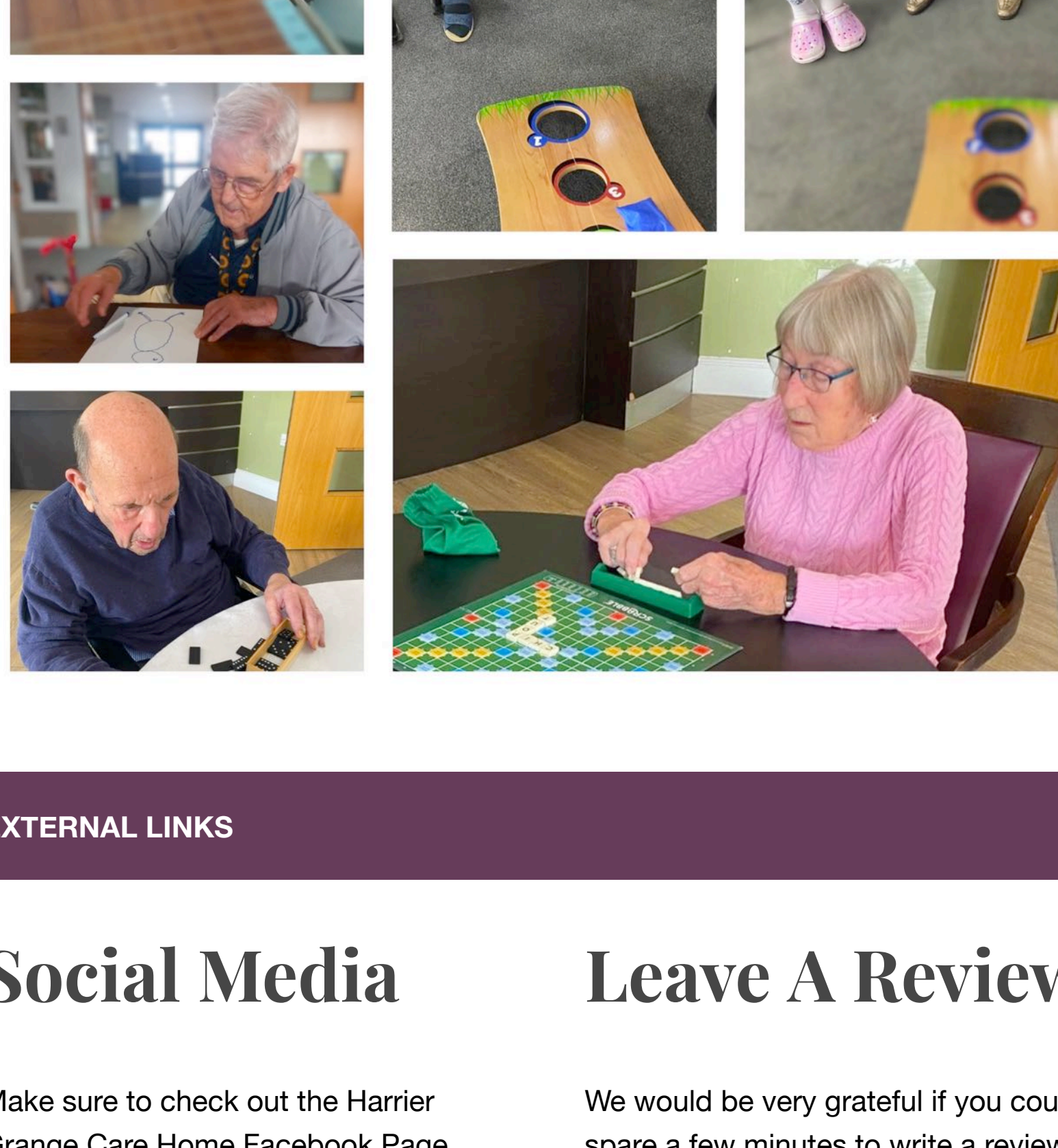


Taking part in fundraising helps residents feel purposeful, strengthens family bonds, and reminds everyone that they continue to make a positive difference.

Games, Games & More Games

Games remain a firm favourite in the home. We enjoyed classics such as dominoes and Scrabble, alongside lively sessions of beanbag target and Beetle Drive. A trip down memory lane with Shove Ha'penny sparked stories, laughter, and just a hint of competitive spirit - all in good fun, of course.

Playing games helps keep minds active, supports coordination, encourages social interaction, and creates moments of shared joy (and the occasional victory celebration!).



EXTERNAL LINKS

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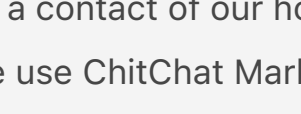
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