



Summer Newsletter 2009
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Special Occasions at Reside

As you all know, over the last few months there have been several special occasions that we've celebrated at Reside.

Easter Weekend

Over Easter, Southwood and Stour Road took part in several different activities including bonnet making, card making and flower arranging. All of the residents really enjoy taking part in these activities.

We also had some visitors at Stour Road which were very welcome and entertaining! The children from Tops at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital came to sing for the residents and give them gifts that they had made at the Nursery.

We also had our Easter raffle with some great prizes! Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets, we hope you were lucky!

St George's Day

For St George's Day the kitchen staff at Reside provided a traditional English meal. All of the residents joined in making flags to decorate the home and also took

part in some activities with Charlita.



Mother's Day

A huge 'thank you' to Liz Cowley who was kind enough to book Andy Hague to play the accordion for the residents for Mother's Day. Everyone had a great day, thank you!



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Entertainment

We are managing to book more and more entertainers for the residents and we thought it would be good to name just a few of our favourites;

Malcolm visits us regularly and organises music sessions and quizzes.

Dolly Brown joins us and entertains the residents with singing and dancing.

We also have Darryl who comes in to Stour Road to sing and play the keyboard for the residents.

We all have a thoroughly great time at Reside and hope everyone enjoys the entertainers as much as we do!



Activities

Here at Reside we are lucky enough to have our very own Activities Organiser, Charlita Jacala.

Charlita works very hard to organise activities for all the residents during the day such as card making, quizzes and even a bit of karaoke.

Over the last few months we have found that a lot more residents are getting involved with the activities which is great to see! If you have any suggestions for activities please let Charlita know!

Out and about

The team at Reside are making the most of the sunshine and are now going out in our mini bus a couple of times a week. We hope everyone enjoyed the change of scenery and hope to continue these outings throughout the year.



Re-furbishment & Decoration

Andy and his team have been working very hard and we would like to thank them, this is some of what they've achieved recently:

Southwood:

The work on the new "back" lounge and dining area at Southwood is now complete and the feedback from residents has been very positive. We have completely redecorated including new windows, lighting, carpets, pictures and furniture. Re-furbishment work is nearly finished in the Southwood "front" lounge with a ramp into the front gardens going in this week and new carpet & furniture due next week, and big changes have just started in the back garden including new fencing, patio, raised beds, water feature, new seating and a ramp to access it. The new accessible toilet in the Southwood

back lounge is now in use and the assisted bath will be ready for use imminently. Southwood also have new equipment in the laundry and kitchen with more to follow. The team have also decorated some stairways and corridors and lighting has been updated in the dining room and corridors.

Stour Road have had the main lounge, downstairs corridor and doors all decorated and are waiting for a very welcome fund raising check from Waitrose for £450 which will go towards a garden arbour, thank you to everyone who supported Reside when visiting Waitrose, more on this next letter!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kinga Nobrega a Care Assistant at Southwood Lodge who gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. Best wishes to the family.



Training News



Staff are continuing with their training and thanks to Jo Pye more and more staff are completing NVQ's and doing dementia training to progress and further their knowledge in the care industry.

Thanks to all those families who have helped and visited over the last few months, all your efforts have been much appreciated by staff and residents.



New faces at Reside

We would like to welcome the following staff to our teams at Reside;

Care Assistants;

Da Chuan Gao at Stour Road and Sarah Neillings, Rosemary Burt and Mark Brown at Southwood Lodge.

We have also been lucky enough to recruit an Activities Organiser, Charlita Jacala who is also a care assistant who can be found at both homes.

Both homes have new Assistant Managers. Belinda Gale was based at Southwood Lodge but has now moved onto Stour Road. Rebecca Couch a Senior Care Assistant at Stour Road is now Assistant Manager at Southwood Lodge.

Wishing you a great few months and we look forward to sharing our summer and autumn events!

Alan; Reside Director
Robert; Stour Road Manager
Lillian; Southwood Manager
and the teams at Reside.

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