Orchard Court Care Home April newsletter



Mary Davey-8th April
Betty Shardlow-13th April
Margaret Knudsen-17th April
Karen Lilburn-19th April
Margaret Dessent-30th April



New Starters

We would like to welcome new staff members Rebecca Evans & Sue Stephenson to our Care Team. Both Rebecca & Sue have worked in care for a number of years. Rebecca joins our DayTeam & Sue joins our Night Care Team.



WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

A big welcome to all new residents. We hope you will be comfortable & happy in your new home. Please do not hesitate to ask staff for assistance with anything, they are more than happy to help.







Home Manager Tracy would like to say a few words

Due to these difficult & uncertain times I would firstly like to thank all the staff at OC for their ongoing support & commitment to our residents/home. The care you are giving to our residents once again shows why our home is an OUTSTANDING HOME....

Again I thank every one of you for stepping out of your door to come to Orchard Court.

I know this is a very scary time for us all & some of us may be feeling anxious. Please message me or ring me at anytime if you need to speak to somebody.

I'd also like to thank Jasmine Support Hub for their support to the whole of Jasmine Healthcare at this time.

To all our families/friends thank you for being so understanding at this time by not visiting our home, I understand how hard this is for everyone.

Thank you for all the donations of goodies etc to the staff they are helping to keep us going.

Feel free to call us, email, FaceTime etc to communicate with your loved ones at any time.

Once this is over we plan on having a very big party to bring us all back together again.

KEEP SAFE & IF YOU ARE ABLE TO STAY HOME

Much love to you all

Tracy xxx



Wise words from our residents

We know times are hard right now & you are being told to stay at home due to the virus but if we all do as we are told this time will pass......

We look back on the war time when we could not go out the door without a gas mask, if you didn't have a mask with you you would be stopped by the police, home guard etc. Your mask was like your right arm.... If the sirens went off we had to go to the nearest shelter, some of the shelters were built in the street. We didn't have street lights during the war as they would alert the German bombers of built up areas. We had to have black out linings up at the windows, if you didn't have the linings you would have to put boards up. Your food isn't rationed ours was.....stop the panic buying...... And what is this about toilet roll. We used cut up newspaper on a string hung up in the outside loo...we couldn't just go to the shops & buy what we needed, we had never even seen a banana.....

Some of us had a pig in the garden we would boil potato peelings to feed them up. The pig would go to slaughter & we would eat everything, the only part of the pig you couldn't eat was it's squeal. Everything was rationed if you had your own chickens you couldn't get them on rations.

Everyone mucked in together, we were all in the same boat......

Like us if you stick together do what they are telling you, you will win just like we did....

You think this is tough think about us we went through it for 5 years solid.....it took years for things to return to normality if at all....... If you can spend time with your loved ones in your homes do so, don't waste this time moaning, make memories teach your little ones to bake/cook, teach them to use the washing machine. Play games together, you will look back & wish for this time to spend with your loved ones. Be kind, help where you can......but keep yourselves safe ... Your freedom will come........

STAY HOME & STAY SAFE

We are proud to announce that for the $3^{\rm rd}$ year running we have received the Top 20 Care Home Award by Carehome. co. uk





Easter Eggs

Christianity retained the egg as a symbol of Easter, its major springtime celebration. It now symbolised the risen Christ emerging from the tomb. Eggs were painted with religious symbols: the triangle representing the Father, Son and Spirit was very common, as were pictures of Jesus emerging from the tomb.



"Happy Easter..May the renewal of life
At Easter bring new
Blessings of love, hope,
Peace, good health &
Happiness to you and
Your loved ones..
Embrace the renewal of life."
—Babz





easter word search



We are still accepting donations of Easter Eggs at this time....if you would like to donate one to a resident please contact us on 01652 653845 they can be dropped off in the home foyerthank you

