



Kinton Manor Nursing Home

Newsletter - October 2023

A Message from Matron

Welcome to our Newsletter. Our summer has gone but now we look forward to Christmas and all the entertainment and celebrations that usually takes place. I also particularly look forward to the annual Kinton Manor fireworks display.

I want to reassure you that we have always had a stable workforce who really enjoy working with your loved ones. We also have prospective nurses in our team who will shortly be receiving their PIN number.

I am sure you have seen the building works, which thankfully so far have caused minimum disruption for the residents. We are building two new rooms because we want in the near future to build a large activities room which will cause the loss of two rooms. We will still keep the big lounge as a quieter area. Strategies are also in place to update the interior of the home. We are busy laying new carpets in the corridors and have bought some new chairs for the dining room. Please, if you feel that something is not of a good standard in your loved one's room (in your opinion) do let me know.

We never want for you to leave the nursing home if you are unhappy.



Covid Vaccinations

We thank Hastings House Surgery for their support re flu and covid vaccines for the residents and staff. We will do everything we can to keep our residents safe during the upcoming winter months.

Hastings House Surgery (based in Wellesbourne) is a tremendous asset for us here. Dr Martin Read-Jones visits weekly, as does Emma Bullingham the frailty nurse.



Summer Activities

The residents had a busy summer, taking part in cake making, gardening, flower arranging, crafts, enjoying performances from visiting entertainers, and of course relaxing in our beautiful garden when the weather allowed.



In August we took some residents on a trip to Compton Verney where there is a centre for the Riding for the Disabled. Here they enjoyed making a fuss of the ponies and having afternoon tea outside in the sunshine.



Many Congratulation to Tintu!

We are extremely pleased to announce that Tintu has now qualified (with distinction) at Coventry University as a Nurse Associate. She has been with us for 13 years and has progressed from carer to lead carer, and now after much hard work (including placements outside of the nursing home) she joins Kitty as one of our two Nurse Associates. It is rare for a nursing home carer to study for this qualification as most N.Aa.s have qualified whilst working for the NHS. We are very proud of them both and they are great examples of how social care staff can develop their careers. Both are extremely dedicated to making the lives of our residents the best they can be.



Staff Training

We have had several training sessions recently to improve the skills of our carers. We had fire training and evacuation training, and following this we decided to buy fire evacuation sheets for ALL upstairs residents. We have also had food safety training and training on the administering of medication. We really concentrate on keeping our residents safe.



Vera's 100th Birthday

We feel very fortunate to have such a beautiful garden with the much used pergola.

We had a lovely outside celebration recently when Vera reached her milestone 100th birthday and she was joined by all her family and of course the staff.



Dementia Awareness - Memory Walk

In September we spent a lovely Sunday afternoon where we came together to raise awareness of Dementia. Staff, residents and relatives watched a short information film and then took part in a “Memory Walk” in our garden. Of course there were also refreshments. Tetchie and Marie organised the event and we have received some very good feedback. A total of £151.75 was raised for the charity Dementia UK and £188.00 for the residents’ activities fund. Thank you to all who attended to make it such a success.



We would like to remind you of the service we provide called Famileo. If you are new to Kineton Manor, Jenny will be emailing you with details shortly.



Our residents love to receive their fortnightly gazettes. Please speak to Jenny for more information or help if you should require it.

Do please spread the word (and the access code) with as many family members and friends as possible. These could be current photos of you and your family, or perhaps some older ones for reminiscing. The gazette can be a good talking point with your loved one when you visit.