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Welcome Note

A warm welcome to all our residents and families. Wow what a strange few months we have had with Covid 19 affecting us all around the world. It has certainly created some challenges for us all but has also been a good time to reflect and appreciate the positive things in our lives.

On a positive note Spring is in the air with another hot Bay of Plenty Summer just around the corner. It is an exciting time for us here at CHT Acacia Park with the anticipation building in all of us to see the completion of our new building.

Entertainment Session for our residents



Activities and Celebrations

Our residents always enjoy the variety of entertainers who come in and create a great atmosphere with their toe tapping tunes.

It is always a great turnout of residents eager to see who has come to entertain them. Maria our Activities Coordinator has started a singing group and they practice each week.

Maria had first given some residents musical instruments when an entertainer was here, however residents had a better connection with singing the tunes and this created an idea to start a singing group.

We are looking forward to the return of our entertainers and with all the practice of our singing group they may want to entertain us too.

Our residents love a good game and we see their competitive side come out. The photo doesn't reflect the laughter we hear coming from the lounge when they are fully involved in a game.

The balloon and noodle game helps with hand and eye coordination and motor skills but most of all it allows them to make positive connections with each other.

And who doesn't enjoy a good laugh?

Playing Balloon Game



Stage 2 Rebuild



Improvements and Initiatives

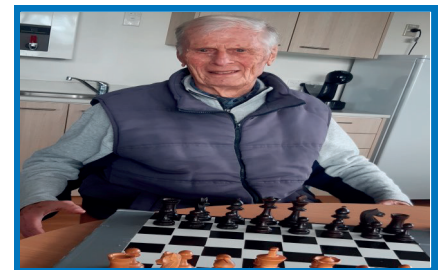
Stage 2 of our rebuild is progressing well and due for completion on 16th November this year. Our residents are excited about their upcoming move and we are counting down the weeks until moving day. Our rebuild commenced in April 2019 and is due for completion in April 2021. We will have a fantastic facility for our residents, families, staff and the community to enjoy. The concept of CHT's "pod like" design will allow our residents to have a more personal experience and a sense of home.

Resident Stories

Peter first came to CHT Acacia Park for day stay eventually coming into long term care. Peter worked at the BBC in London as a cameraman He then moved to Bermuda and became chief engineer and 2IC of the BBC in Bermuda. He stayed there for two years and achieved what he wanted to do. He then returned to Britain. He also spent time in South Africa eventually coming out to New Zealand with his family.

Peter is a great chess player and challenges residents and staff to games. He is keen to teach anyone who would like to learn to play.

Peter William Grimley



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their ongoing support and patience through what has been a challenging year for many of us. Our residents have coped amazingly well through the lockdowns we have all had to endure and I would like to thank all my staff who have cared for them so well. It is a true reflection of your ongoing commitment and care towards our residents.

Thank you.

Best Wishes
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