

Welcome Note

Autumn 2022

Kia Ora and welcome to the Autumn newsletter. We hope you enjoyed the summer and are looking forward to some cooler months. It's often said that Autumn is a second Spring when every leaf is a flower.

Activities and Celebrations

Our residents exploring the local beautiful spots



We had a lovely last few months with the Activities program. We restarted our van trips and the residents are exploring the local beautiful spots every week.

We have also started a daily walk and bask in the sun in the afternoons which has been a hit with our residents.

We enjoyed celebrating Valentine's Day, St Patrick's Day and Mother's Day in the last couple of months.

Easter was a blast with an Egg hunt organised for the local children!

ANZAC Day was celebrated with the local RSA organising a Bagpiper to play for our residents, a ceremony and activities relating to ANZAC day such as baking ANZAC cookies and crafts.



During our monthly resident meetings, residents expressed that they would like more arts and crafts arranged at the facility and our activities team stepped up to this challenge.

We have started a variety of painting, origami and other art ventures for residents to enjoy.



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Improvements and Initiatives

Our activities team ran a canned food drive at Halldene for the Salvation Army Charity, in partnership with Resene paints. We had a good response and received a few bottles of paint as a result, which the residents used to paint stones for the Easter hunt organised for the local children at our neighbouring reserve.

Resident Stories

Rae Austin has been with us since November 2020. Rae brings fun and laughter to any group activity that she is a part of.

Rae enjoys the activities arranged at the facility and often brings her own ideas and hosts some of the events herself. She also loves all the friends that she has made with her fellow residents. She makes it a point to visit her friends at least once a day.

Rae Austin



Note from Unit Manager

The last few months have been quite challenging with ongoing restrictions as well as with the surge of COVID cases in the community. However, we have worked very hard to keep COVID-19 at bay. I would like to thank our wonderful team of staff at Halldene as well as the cooperation and understanding from our residents and families.

On a personal note, I would like to thank our staff, residents and families for the warm welcome that I received at Halldene. I am enjoying getting to know everyone and to be a part of this very special team of people.

Please feel free to come visit me or contact me if you have any feedback to share.

Best Wishes
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