



Home Newsletter



Beechwood

A BEECHFIELD NURSING HOME

Summer 2022

Welcome

Dear residents, families and friends,
Welcome to our Summer newsletter, we are so excited to tell you about all that has been happening here in Beechwood Nursing Home, read on and enjoy all the news!

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Team work makes dreamwork

This Summer we have made our **Sensory Garden** and this has proven to be a great place of interest for our residents to walk ,sit down and relax. Thanks to all who helped out in donating beautiful items to our garden, items such as ornamental garden features, hanging baskets with strawberries and flowers, seeds to plant, herbs to smell and taste, plants of all shapes and sizes.

Some staff have been busy at home painting an old bicycle and putting a basket of flowers on it to add to our garden, making a wishing well from wood and painting it and planting with flowers, also getting old tyres and painting them red and making ladybird planters.



Our maintenance man Tony has shown his artistic skills and redecorated the tables and seats and has been busy doing all the ground work . HCA John helped out with the digging and hard grafting ,so many to mention so **thank you all.**

Subeesh our DON came up with the idea of creating a Beach area and all hands were on board to get 2 tonnes of sand in through

the doors in wheelbarrows, so thanks John, Subeesh, Kenny and Tony! We are still looking for a boat to add to it... so all ideas are welcome.

Last but definitely not least, the residents themselves played a huge part in this work and a special thank you to Jim , Tony and Michael who were frequently out with the garden hose and rake.



New friends

The arrival of 2 new baby rabbits has brought joy to many residents and these have a permanent home here now in one of our courtyards, Their names have been selected carefully by the residents and "Maisie" and "Cora" are being looked after by Jim who has taken responsibility for giving them water and food on a daily basis and cleaning out their house.

They run to him now when he walks into the yard as they know he is looking after them so well.



Shopping!

We had a very enjoyable shopping experience day out with residents who had some retail therapy in the Edinburgh Woollen Mills shop in the Arboretum Leighlinbridge. Family members and staff brought the residents to buy some new clothes at a **20 per cent reduction** kindly given to the residents by Marian, the manager there.

Marian has offered to do this on a regular basis for family, friends and staff of Beechwood Nursing Home. This proved

to be far more than just a day out shopping, it was a day of fun, laughter and singsong.

Congratulations and a massive thank you to the way the staff treated us all in the Edinburgh Woollen Mills making it a day to remember. We even had help from Simon from head office and he was our fashion adviser for the day!



Other news

We are looking forward to our trip to **Duncannon** in July. We plan to take 17 residents to Duncannon to walk along the beach, build castles and enjoy fish and chips. This date may change according to the weather.

We had a visit from **Amy the hedgehog!** Thanks to HCA Debbie for bringing her along for the day.

As part of **Beechfield Group Carers Week, 13th-19th June**, we had daily raffles for boxes of chocolates and on the final day we had a get together where residents and staff enjoyed some lovely finger food, cream buns and drinks. Residents made little speeches to thank the staff for looking after them so well.



For now take care and stay safe. xxx