



Birchfield
Luxury Residential Care Home

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Christmas at Birchfield

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a lovely start to your New Year. Here are a few photographs from our festive season—as you can see, we had a terrific time.



Fire Training

Our staff recently undertook their fire training. Here you can see Janine and Tracey dealing with some tricky situations.



Pat's Charity Hair Cut

Pat has had her cut for the Princess Trust charity where they use hair to make wigs for children. The money that Pat makes through sponsors will be split between The Princess Trust & Derian House.



Movie Afternoon



Our residents recently spent an afternoon being reminded of times past whilst watching a DVD brought in by a family member. It was a lovely afternoon with lots of laughter and chat.

Digni-Tea Action Day



1st February was the National Dignity Council's day to promote dignity for all. We'd like to thank John for making some lovely cream cakes and scones for our special event.

Carer of the Month

Congratulations to Kath, Tracey and Naz who are the recent winners of our Carer of the Month award. Thanks to all three of you for your dedication and hard work.



Chinese Lanterns

In December we had a Chinese Around the World theme night where we sampled Chinese dishes. Here are our residents making some Chinese Lanterns ready to decorate the dining room.



New Staff Uniforms

You may have noticed that our care team are looking very smart. Here we are modelling our new look...



Poppy's Visit

Poppy came to visit us earlier this month. She came out of retirement as she was in Blackburn and wanted to see us again. She brought her best friend, Dinky, and we all had a lovely time.



Birdfeeder Gift

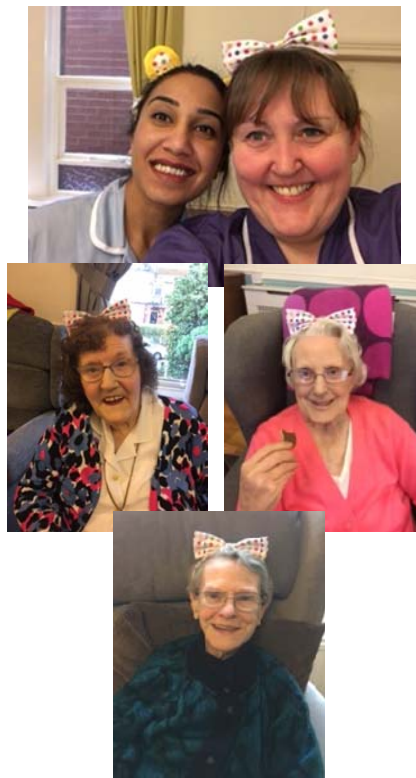
One of our residents, Jean, sadly passed away recently. She loved watching birds and we would like to thank her family who very kindly donated this bird feeder.



Keep up to date with all the comings and goings at Birchfield by following us on Facebook—just search for “Birchfield Residential Care Home”!

Children In Need

Last November saw us taking part in some fundraising for Children In Need. We all had a great time for this very good cause.



Respite Care

We know how hard you work to care for your loved ones—we also know that everyone needs a break now and then and this is why we keep a ***dedicated respite room***. If you, or anyone you know would like to take advantage of this service, please call us on **01254 266020** — we will be pleased to help in any way that we can.

Keep an eye on the notice board for our new

Daily Activity Plan

Dominoes, Tasting Sessions, Afternoon Tea, Bingo, Films and Reminiscence Afternoons as well as any trips in the pipeline.

Board games are available daily for everyone to enjoy including cards, noughts & crosses and a radio in the front seating area.

Every **second Wednesday** we are visited by the library so if you would like to borrow books, please let us know. Also, our **hairdresser** calls in weekly, so if you fancy a change or a bit of a 'do' we'll be happy to make an appointment for you.

Upcoming Events

Physio with Ray

2nd March

Exercise with James

3rd March

Bingo Afternoon

8th March—2pm

Board Games Afternoon

16th March—2pm

Baking at Birchfield

21st March—2pm

Feedback

We welcome all sorts of feedback. If you have any suggestions for improvements to the Home or the service we provide, do let us know. Also, please feel free to send in any articles, memoirs or photo's for inclusion in our newsletter.

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