



INTRODUCTION

Message From Our Manager

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter.

The past few months have been filled with enjoyable activities, special visitors and opportunities for residents to spend quality time together. From live entertainment and creative sessions to moments of reflection and remembrance, there has been something for everyone to enjoy.

I'd like to thank our residents, families, volunteers and dedicated team for helping to make Maples such a warm and welcoming home. Your support and enthusiasm make each day special, and we hope you enjoy looking back at some of our recent highlights.

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Best wishes,

Nikki

Nikki Culleton
Home Manager



ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Puppy Therapy Brings Plenty of Smiles

We were delighted to welcome Pawsitive Social Society to Maples for a very special visit with six adorable Pomeranian puppies.

Our dog-loving residents thoroughly enjoyed spending time cuddling and interacting with the puppies, whose gentle nature quickly won everyone over. The visit created a wonderful atmosphere throughout the home, with smiles, laughter and plenty of conversation as residents shared stories of pets they had owned over the years.

Animal therapy visits continue to be a favourite at Maples, bringing comfort, companionship and moments of genuine happiness to everyone involved.



National Friendship Day

To celebrate National Friendship Day, our residents enjoyed a creative arts and crafts session together.

Everyone worked carefully to create a beautiful collaborative artwork featuring colourful bees, ladybirds and flowers, with each resident adding their own handprint to make the finished piece truly unique. It was lovely to see so much concentration, creativity and teamwork throughout the afternoon, accompanied by plenty of laughter and conversation.

The finished artwork is a wonderful reminder of the friendships that continue to flourish here at Maples.



World Cup Excitement

The home embraced the excitement of the 2026 FIFA World Cup, with residents enjoying following the tournament together.

Although England didn't make it all the way to the final, everyone enjoyed watching the matches, discussing the results and showing their support throughout the competition. The tournament sparked plenty of conversation and friendly football debates, bringing residents together to enjoy one of the biggest sporting events of the summer.



A Morning of Worship

We were pleased to welcome Reverend Trevor back to Maples, accompanied by Jo from Christ Church Bexleyheath, for another uplifting church service.

It was wonderful to see so many residents attend and take part in the prayers, hymns and blessings. The familiar hymns, including Glory, Glory Hallelujah, were enjoyed by everyone, creating a peaceful and reflective atmosphere.

After the service, many residents commented on how much they had enjoyed the morning, appreciating the opportunity to worship together within the home.



Remembering D-Day

Residents were treated to a fascinating journey back in time thanks to the kindness of Peter and his wife Chris, who visited dressed in authentic vintage clothing and brought along their own personal wartime memorabilia.

Their engaging presentation about D-Day prompted many conversations and memories, giving residents the opportunity to reflect on an important period in history while handling and viewing items from the era.

We would like to thank Peter and Chris for sharing their knowledge and helping create such a meaningful afternoon for everyone.



Live Entertainment

Live music continues to be one of the highlights of life at Maples, and we were delighted to welcome back the talented Josh Antony.