



## INTRODUCTION

### Message From Our Team

Welcome to our Autumn Newsletter. We have enjoyed a lovely few weeks at Maples, with plenty of activities, entertainment and celebrations taking place around the home. Our residents have welcomed some unusual animal visitors, enjoyed singing and dancing with Josh Antony and helped us create a new music area where they can relax and listen to their favourite records.

We have also celebrated some special birthdays and are pleased to introduce two members of our team, Clare and Sam, who have shared a little about themselves and their lives outside work.

It has been lovely to see residents, families and staff enjoying these occasions together. Thank you to everyone who continues to contribute to life at Maples, and we hope you enjoy catching up on our latest news.

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Best wishes,

**Maples Care Home Team**

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

### A Visit from Our Amazing Animal World

We were pleased to welcome Jerry from Our Amazing Animal World back to Maples for another enjoyable animal encounter. His visits are always popular with residents, particularly as we never quite know which animals he will bring along to meet us.

This time, Jerry introduced us to Gloria the chinchilla, Noodles the snake and Jamie the jumbo rat. It was certainly an interesting selection of visitors, giving residents the opportunity to meet some animals they might not come across very often. There was plenty of curiosity as everyone got to know our unusual guests, and Jerry was on hand throughout the visit.

Our residents always look forward to seeing Jerry and discovering which animals will be joining him. Thank you to Jerry for another enjoyable visit. We look forward to welcoming him and his animal friends back to Maples soon.



### Singing & Dancing with Josh Antony

We enjoyed another entertaining morning at Maples when Josh Antony returned to perform for our residents. His visits are always something that residents, relatives and staff look forward to, and this occasion was no exception.

There was plenty of singing and dancing as Josh performed, with familiar music encouraging everyone to join in. Some enjoyed singing along, while others were happy to get up and have a dance. It was lovely to see residents, families and staff enjoying the entertainment together and making the most of the morning.

A big thank you to Josh for another enjoyable performance. We always appreciate his visits and look forward to seeing him again soon.



### Celebrating Our Residents' Birthdays

Birthdays are always special occasions at Maples, and we enjoy taking the time to celebrate each of our residents. Recently, we had the pleasure of celebrating the birthdays of John and Eileen, with plenty of good wishes, cake and company.

John enjoyed celebrating his birthday surrounded by family and friends, with everyone joining in to wish him a happy birthday. Of course, no birthday celebration would be complete without a cake, and the birthday cake made its appearance as everyone marked his special day. It was lovely to see John enjoying the occasion with those closest to him.

We also celebrated Eileen's birthday with a delicious chocolate cake and a cup of tea. Residents and staff gathered to sing Happy Birthday, making it a lovely afternoon spent together. We hope both John and Eileen enjoyed their celebrations, and we send them our warmest birthday wishes from everyone at Maples.



## MEET THE TEAM

### Spotlight on Clare & Sam

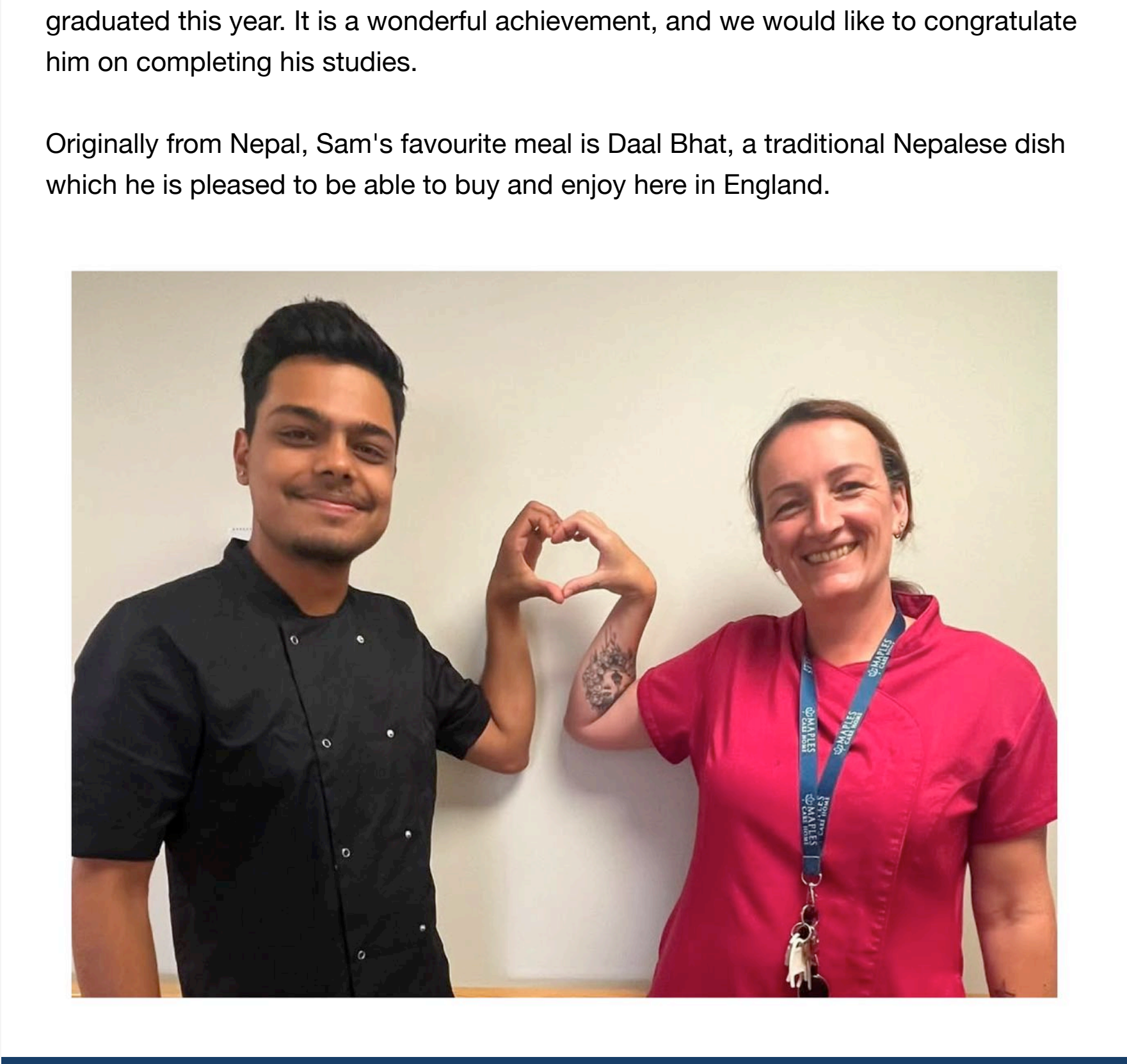
We are continuing our Meet the Team introductions, giving residents, families and friends the opportunity to learn a little more about the people who work at Maples. This time, we are introducing Clare, our Head of Housekeeping, and Sam, one of our Kitchen Assistants.

Clare has been part of the Maples team for two years and three months. She originally joined us as a carer before moving into her current role as Head of Housekeeping, where she oversees housekeeping and the laundry service for our residents. Her work helps to ensure that our home remains clean, comfortable and welcoming.

Something you might not know about Clare is that she was very athletic during her secondary school years. She took part in marathon running, was a goal scorer in a netball league and competed successfully in javelin, shot put, discus and relay races. With such a sporting background, it is perhaps no surprise that her favourite film is Cool Runnings. When it comes to food, Clare's favourite meal is a traditional roast dinner.

Sam has worked at Maples for two years and one month as part of our kitchen team. Alongside his work at the home, he has spent the past three years studying Business Management at De Montfort University in Leicester, and we are delighted that he graduated this year. It is a wonderful achievement, and we would like to congratulate him on completing his studies.

Originally from Nepal, Sam's favourite meal is Daal Bhat, a traditional Nepalese dish which he is pleased to be able to buy and enjoy here in England.



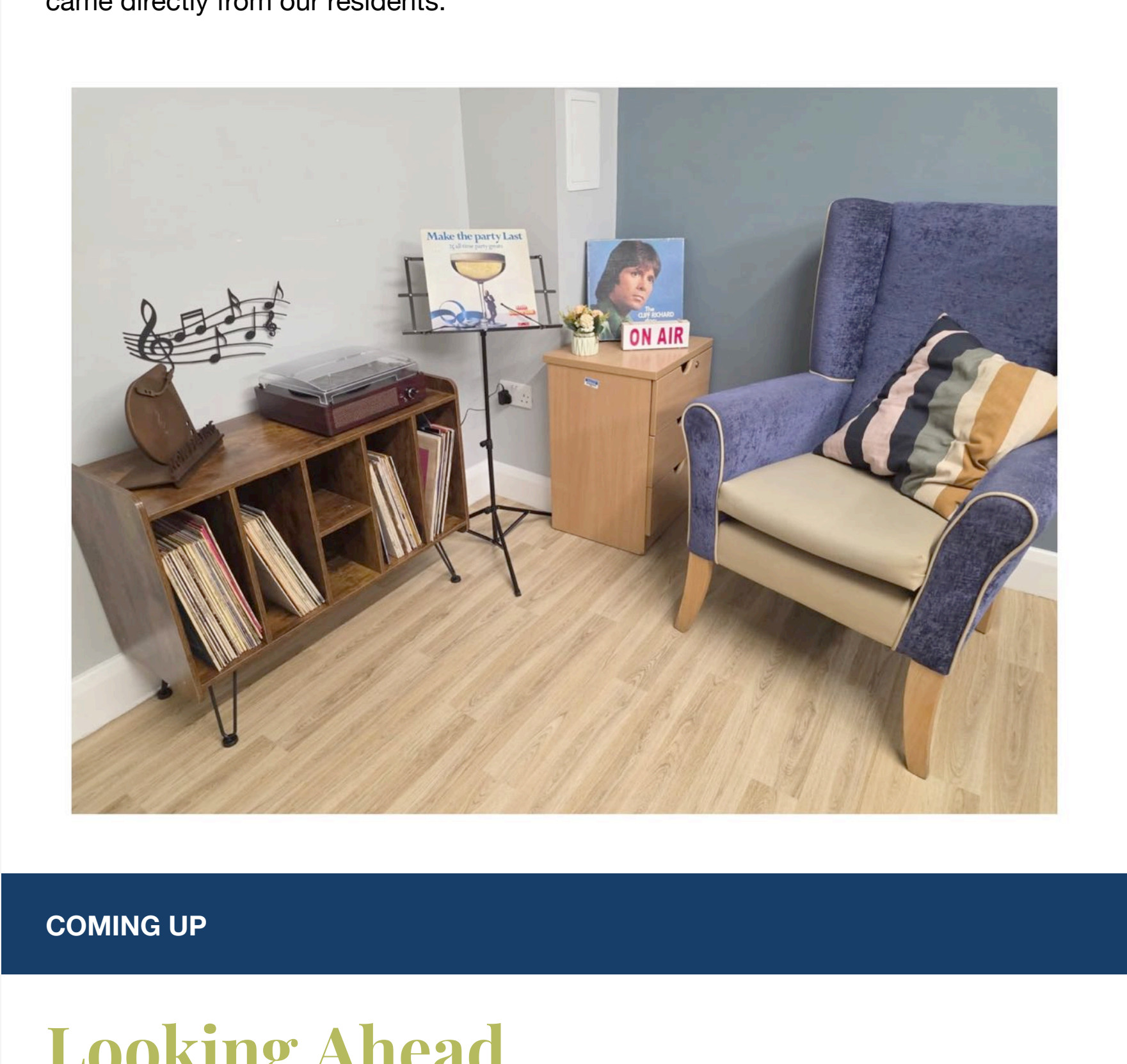
## HOME UPGRADES

### Our New Music Area

We recently had an empty space at Maples and decided that the best people to ask about how to use it were our residents. When we asked what they would like to see there, the answer was a record player!

We have now started creating a dedicated music area, where residents can choose a record, put it on and enjoy listening to some of their favourite music. Although the space is still a work in progress, it is already proving popular, with residents enjoying the opportunity to sit back, relax and listen to their chosen records.

Music is an important part of life for many of our residents, often bringing back memories of favourite songs, artists and occasions. It is lovely to have a space where everyone can enjoy music at their own pace, and we are pleased that the idea came directly from our residents.



## COMING UP

### Looking Ahead...

As we continue through autumn, we look forward to more opportunities for residents to enjoy music, entertainment, celebrations and visits from family faces. Our new music area will continue to develop, and we hope residents enjoy choosing records and making good use of the space.

We will also be continuing our Meet the Team introductions, helping families and friends get to know more of the people who work across the home.

Thank you to our residents, relatives, friends and staff for your continued support. We look forward to sharing more of our news and activities in our next newsletter.

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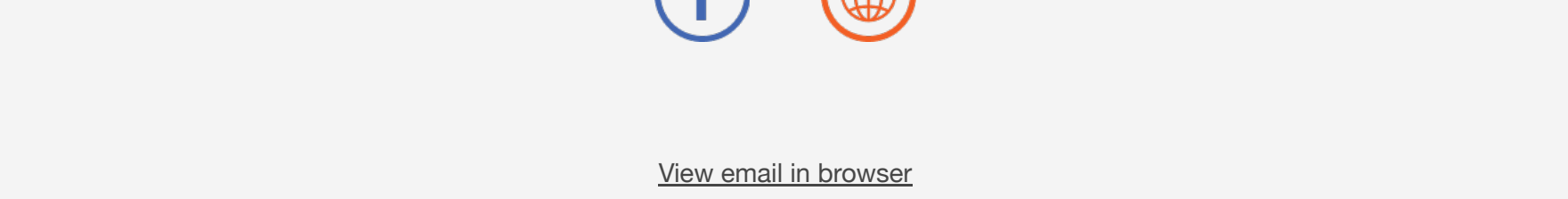
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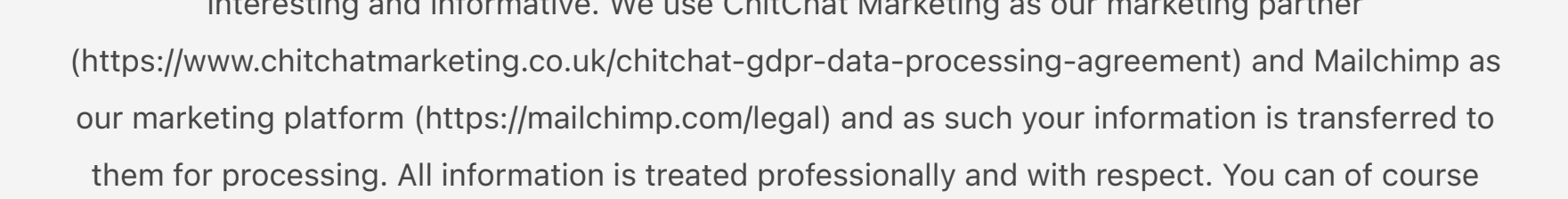
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