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# QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK CARE HOME



Dear friends

We hope, like us, you have been enjoying the winter festivities, cherishing the gifts of love and friendship as we look to the year ahead. Here is a little round up of what we got up to before we welcomed in 2022!



## A fun filled autumn

The end of the year brought lots of fun to QEP. To kick off our lively Halloween celebrations, our residents had a great time crafting themed decorations to adorn the walls in the form of paper spiders, witches hats and giant cobwebs! Team member Trevor convinced us all as the green-faced Wicked Witch of the West as he took a 'Trick or Treat' cauldron of sweets round to all our residents, which caused hoots of laughter when they spotted a fake hand popping out from the candy! Then it was time for our Halloween party, made all the more wonderful thanks to live entertainment from local performers who got everyone singing along to the Monster Mash!



## Remembrance Day



In November our thoughtful residents marked Remembrance Day by creating some poppy art work to display within our home. As we gathered together to craft the poignant display, paying tribute to the fallen heroes, our residents took great comfort in sharing personal memories and having a sing-a-long of wartime songs. It meant a lot for our residents to be able to pay their respects in this meaningful way. Then, on Armistice Day, we came together once more to watch the ceremony on television, live from The Cenotaph. It was a calming and reflective day that made us all very grateful to be surrounded by wonderful friends and our loving family at QEP.





## Day trip down memory lane

We like to keep day trips varied, from fun at the bowling alley, to a tippie at the local pub and tea in our favourite garden centre. A visit to the Milestones Living History Museum before Christmas proved a particular success! The whole day brought back greatly cherished memories as residents explored the cobbled streets, vintage vehicles and penny arcade, then bought their favourite childhood confectionary from the old fashioned sweet shop. You can tell how much fun was had by the smiles on everyone's faces! What a joy it was!



## Winter wonderland

As soon as December arrived our home was filled with festive cheer. We decorated each room with glittering trees, winter murals and cosy festive scenes. We even brought in a snow machine and our residents had a joyful snowball fight in the garden! Throughout the month we enjoyed a wonderful stream of parties and games, festive food and Christmas carolling- we even had our own private panto performance! On the Big Day itself, we gathered round dressed in our festive finest to enjoy a wonderful meal together! We pulled giant crackers, told jokes and shared our favourite memories of Christmases gone by. It's always such a merry time of year.



We wish you a Happy New Year from our home to yours.

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**We always love reading your comments on Facebook!  
Here are a few recent ones:**

"Gosh I bet this evoked many memories. What a wonderful idea for a trip." Tina

"A big thank you for all the staff at QEP for making mum's day so special!" Carolyn

"That's just brilliant! What fun!" Pamela

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