

## A Visit from Miller 🐾🐾

We had a visit from Miller, our wonderful therapy dog, here at Bishopscourt recently. Our residents and staff always look forward to Miller's visits and truly enjoy his gentle company, cuddles, and calming presence. There were lots of smiles, chats, and happy moments shared throughout the day.



## Celebrating Bloom Festival



We had a little Bloom Festival of our own the June Bank Holiday weekend. Inspired by the wonderful Bord Bia Bloom Festival, our Residents have been busy creating beautiful new garden spaces here at Bishopscourt. There was plenty of teamwork, laughter, and green fingers working with the planting. We now have a wonderfully colourful flower bed along with a gorgeous herb and lavender garden filled with amazing scents.

## Jelly Bean Day



To celebrate Jelly Bean Day we held a fun guessing competition for both staff and residents: how many jelly beans were in the jar? Congratulations to Marie, who was the closest guess with 1200—the actual number was 1355! Marie won the jar of jelly beans, and in true generous spirit, she kindly shared them out with everyone. A lovely bit of fun and teamwork enjoyed by all.

## Fun in the Sun



Our residents enjoyed a lovely afternoon out in the garden, with plenty of fun and laughter. Some got competitive playing games like ring toss and beanbag throwing, while others relaxed in the sunshine, soaking up the music and the fresh air.

## Massage Afternoon



A few of our lovely residents enjoyed a relaxing afternoon of hand massages followed by a fresh coat of polish recently. With some music playing in the background and plenty of smiles all around, it was the perfect way to unwind and feel a little extra special.

## National Pyjama Day



It was all about comfort, cosy vibes, and plenty of smiles for our “Wear Your Pyjamas to Work Day”. Staff and residents fully embraced the fun, spending the day in their comfiest PJs and enjoying a relaxed, happy atmosphere together.

# Culinary Excellence at Grace Healthcare



On Thursday 12th March, Executive Chef Jose brought together the talented chefs from all 10 Grace Healthcare Ireland homes for an inspiring Culinary Day at Blenders Development Kitchen in Tallaght. The day kicked off with a tour of Blenders' production unit — seeing how their sauces and condiments are made. Chef Paul Bloxham, Culinary Director at Avendra International, shared insights on culinary trends, sustainability, and menu planning. Chef Ronan Fox gave creative ideas on reducing food waste. Chef Jose highlighted the philosophy behind Grace Healthcare's catering approach. A huge thank you to all our chefs for their dedication and passion — you make a real difference in our residents' lives!

## Alzheimer's Tea Day

On Friday, May 8th, we were delighted to host a wonderful fundraising Tea Day in support of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland. Our residents thoroughly enjoyed a beautiful afternoon of tea served in the finest china, creating a truly special and nostalgic atmosphere. Head Chef Sebastian spoiled everyone with freshly baked, delicious scones, making the occasion even more memorable. As always, the day was filled with laughter, conversation, and togetherness, with plenty of smiles all around.



## Summer Treats



We had a lovely little treat on Wednesday for both our residents and staff to help everyone cool down during the warm weather — delicious ice cream in wafers. For many of our residents, it brought back wonderful memories of simpler times when an ice cream wafer was a very special childhood treat. As you can see, they went down a treat with everyone!

## St. Patrick's Day Celebrations



Looking Back at Our St. Patrick's Day Celebrations in Bishopscourt where our residents got into the festive spirit, donning St. Patrick's Day hats and enjoying the celebrations.

## A Relaxing Morning at **Bishopscourt**



Our residents enjoyed a relaxing morning filled with colouring, creativity, and a chat. From bright patterns to beautiful artwork, it was wonderful to see everyone expressing themselves and enjoying the calm and joy that art can bring.

## International **Women's Day**



On International Women's Day, and every day, we recognise the strength, kindness, wisdom and life experiences of the amazing women in our care, as well as the dedicated women on our team who support residents every day with compassion and respect.

## Easter Fun at **Bishopscourt**



We had a fantastic time celebrating Easter with a fun and interactive Staff Easter Egg Hunt. Staff picked a question card and had to put their thinking caps on to figure out where their egg was hidden — with clues based on everyday life around the nursing home. From policies to fire safety, it was a great mix of fun, teamwork, and a little learning too.



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