



CASTLE HOUSE

Care Home

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Welcome to our DECEMBER ISSUE 2024 monthly newsletter



***Well doesn't time fly by - another year gone and
another year older!***

***A little smile, a word of cheer, a bit of love from
someone near brings best wishes for the coming
year.***

HAPPY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

NEWS IN BRIEF

- On 30th November residents were taken into town for the traditional 'switch-on' of Christmas lights
- We had delivered on 9th December (courtesy of the fabulous **Dunelm in Barnstaple**) Christmas presents for all our residents with the help of their customers generosity - thank you so very much!
- Staff wore Christmas jumpers on 11th December - oh dear!
- Our new manager, Shelbie, was presented with a 5-year long service award
- On 18th December we held our **residents** Christmas party with Jason Toft singing and getting everyone in the festive mood with a wonderful buffet to follow.
- Also on the 18th December, our very own Sue and her partner Chris tied the knot! Many congratulations to them both
- On 23rd December we have three activities happening - the drawing of our Christmas raffle - (if you would like to buy tickets before it is too late, please come into the home and buy a few strips) we are also holding a cheese and wine supper for the residents - sounds yummy!!! We also have our Staff Christmas costume day - better run for the hills now before it is too late!!!
- On Christmas day we have further activities happening - Not only are we hoping for the 'big man in red' to appear - (fingers crossed Rudolph and the team know where to land but better leave a few treats out anyway) we also have the mayor and his escort visiting Castle House - that will be very special along with Torrington Silver Band to get us all in the festive mood.



A VERY BIG 'THANK YOU' TO
DUNELM BARNSTAPLE
AND THEIR CUSTOMERS FOR MAKING THIS
CHRISTMAS VERY SPECIAL FOR ALL OUR
RESIDENTS AT CASTLE HOUSE





*TO OUR VERY OWN SUE AND HER PARTNER CHRIS, WHO TIED THE
KNOT ON WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2024 - WE WISH THEM BOTH
MANY CONGRATULATIONS AND FOR A LONG AND HAPPY FUTURE
TOGETHER*



December 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Cards & Games In the Lounge Making Christmas Paper Chains with Staff Children	2 Game & Quiz In the lounge Chair Exercise with Andrew in the lounge	3 Music & Games in the lounge with Hayley Resident's Decorating Their Zimmer's & Christmas Tree	4 Hairdresser & Pamper Day 1.1 Christmas Arts & Crafts 1.1	5 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music & Bingo In the Lounge with Naz	6	7
8 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music & Ball Games In the lounge	9 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Chair Exercise with Andrew in the lounge	10 Christmas Music & Christmas Games In the lounge Christmas Arts & crafts 1.1	11 Hairdresser & Pamper Day 1.1 Music & Games In the Lounge Christmas Arts & crafts 1.1	12 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music & Bingo In the Lounge with Naz	13 Christmas Arts & Crafts With staff Children	14
15 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music, Games & Ball Fun in the Lounge	16 Christmas Arts & Crafts 1.1 Chair Exercise with Andrew in the lounge	17 Residents Christmas Party & Buffet with Singing Entertainment Jason Toft Cards and Games 1.1	18 Hairdresser & Pamper Day 1.1 Christmas Movie & Treats	19 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music & Bingo Bring a Pet to Work Day	20	21
22 Sheila's Birthday Christmas Raffle Draw & Secret Santa Residents Cheese & Wine Night	23 Christmas Song Best & Worst Christmas Cracker Games.... Making Chocolate Christmas Trees	24 Christmas Day Torrington Silver Band Santa Coming to Castle Mayor & escort	25 Boxing Day Christmas Movies & Treats	26 A Trip Out for Coffee & Cake Music & Bingo with Naz	27 Rita's Birthday	28
29 Card & games 1.1 Games & music Ball fun in the lounge	30 New Year's Eve Countdown to the New year Margaret's birthday	31				

Answers to last months teaser puzzles:

Question 1) SMHDWM? – Answer was ‘Y’

Seconds/minutes/hours/days/weeks/month/**YEAR** (*Dennis I thought you would have smashed this one!*)

Question 2) What one word can go in front of these two images to make 2 new words – it was **HONEY**

Honeymoon & Honeycomb

To test your little grey cells this month!!

(answers in next months newsletter)

Question 1) What word would fit the grid to replace the question mark –
DRASTIC / DEADLY / DRAMA

	A	B	C	D
A				AMEND
B		BLURB		
C	CORONA			
D			?	

Question 2) What four letter word is missing from this list

SPOT /OPTS / POTS/ STOP / TOPS



TO OUR RESIDENTS



SHEILA



RITA



MARGARET



Once again, a big



to all the staff for keeping everyone safe and well

Check out our website,

take a look

www.castlehousecarehomedevon.co.uk



Calling all residents friends and families. We need your reviews. If you like what we do, we would really appreciate a review. If you could make sure all the boxes are ticked and you have commented alongside as well would be very helpful to other families looking for a placement for their loved ones

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