



Belmont  
Healthcare



# "THE BELMONT THYMES"

DEC 2021

A BUMPER CHRISTMAS ROUND-UP OF ALL OUR NEWS FROM OUR CARE TEAMS AT EDENDALE LODGE, HASLINGTON LODGE, MADEIRA LODGE AND SANDBANKS



## *School Children Visit Care Home Once Again*

In what has been a long awaited return, students from The Marsh Academy eventually return to Madeira Lodge Care Home for an after school club with a difference.

Developed in partnership between the home and school's health and social care teachers, pupils between the ages of seven and 13 will routinely visit the care home to gain positive new life experiences.

Sarah Pennington, Manager at Madeira Lodge Care Home says: "It is wonderful to be able to welcome the school and its pupils back into our home once again. Everyone has missed that positive interaction between the generations, talking, catching up, and sharing. It is also especially good for the children to develop their social skills and widen their horizons by learning from those who have lived a lot of life."

Pupils from The Marsh Academy will visit every Thursday after school to take part in activities and conversations with those that live at Madeira Lodge Care Home. From cake decorating to art activities, residents and pupils will work together rekindling old bonds and learning new things from each other.



Read our wonderful Carehome reviews here: [bit.ly/2KGbb8F](https://bit.ly/2KGbb8F)

# Christmas Competitions Have Started



Across our care homes in Kent and East Sussex we've launched two festive competitions. Which care home will win best dressed and which will win the best Christmas cake in the Belmont bake off?

Care teams and residents are off to a flying start busy preparing their creations that are sure to be worthy of praise from the BBC's Great Interiors Design Challenge judge Kelly Hoppen and Bake Off's exacting Prue Leith!

Clare Swan, Operations Director at Belmont Healthcare says: "We like to get competitive so get prepared for some worthy creations. We are in for a real treat if last year's standard is anything to go by!"



Competition Time across our Care Homes



## *Trimmed Up And Ready For Christmas*

It's tinsel-tastic across our residential care homes in Kent and East Sussex as everyone embraces the sparkle and dazzle of traditional Christmas tree decorations.

Perfectly adorned trees are the main feature of our homes, but it's just a festive start, we haven't finished yet!

Adam Hutchison, Managing Director at Belmont Healthcare says: "It's a very good festive start as we embrace the magic and the feel good factor of the Christmas season. But true to the Belmont way, it hasn't finished yet as our care teams go Christmas crazy to make each of our homes extra special for the festive season."



## *Trimmed Up And Ready For Christmas*

As you know we have so much fun during Christmas and it got us thinking about people who live near us but are lonely. Maybe they don't have family visiting; maybe they live on their own. In the spirit of Christmas we decided to extend our friendship and hospitality with a Christmas dinner invite. Hopefully that'll make someone's Christmas Day!



## Belmont Healthcare Becomes A Hospital Ward Merry Magic Maker

This Christmas Belmont at Home, the Solihull based in-home care company, is creating a little bit of magic by bringing the festive fun to sick children at Birmingham Children's Hospital Charity.

As an official Merry Magic Maker, the company has sponsored a ward at the hospital for the 12 days of Christmas to bring a little bit of festive sparkle to their patients and families during the Christmas period.

Jennie Coy, Manager at Belmont at Home says: "Christmas is a time of giving and family, for children it is a magical time that captures their imagination. We wanted to do our bit to make sure poorly children and their families have the opportunity to experience a Christmas as close to normal as possible. With our sponsorship the fabulous teams on the hospital wards will be able to deliver a Christmas like no other, we can't wait to see the photos."

Sponsorship from Belmont at Home will be put to good festive use. From providing bag of toys for patients to open on Christmas morning, to helping towards the purchase of life-saving equipment, but most importantly the sponsorship will help to put smiles on the faces of those children who need it the most.



To join me in being a Magic Maker visit [bch.org.uk/magic-makers](http://bch.org.uk/magic-makers)



Read our wonderful Homecare reviews here: <https://bit.ly/3rENV7O>

# Customers Reviews Get To The Heart Of Caring

We thought we'd share the fantastic feedback we are receiving for our new in-home care service Belmont at Home. We can tell everyone how fantastic our care is but it never quite has the same effect as a family member say how good it is. Read here the fantastic reviews:

"Marie has been my savior. She has already given me so much confidence"

"Just excellent. Jennie understood my need, was not pushy at all and was a delight to talk to."

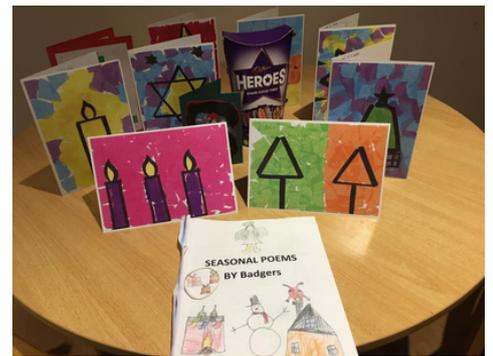


"The ladies who care for mum are all so kind and helpful."

It doesn't take many words to get to the heart of what our care really means but these words say it all.

If this means something to you and you'd like our help and support, get in touch. Call us West Midland 0121 295 8905 Kent 01797 366810 [homecare@belmonthealthcare.com](mailto:homecare@belmonthealthcare.com) and start your tailored home care journey

## What else have we been up to .....



**Christmas Gifts from the local Church near Haslington Lodge, Christmas cards and Seasonal Poems from the Children at Crowhurst Primary School, near Edendale Lodge**



**Christmas Cake Making, Choccy Hamper Gifts, and Bronwyn, winner of the joint Team Christmas Bowling night out for Madeira and Sandbanks**

## Fund your care and keep your home

Every year 50,000 people sell their home to pay for care. The Care and Home Inheritance Plan from My Care My Home is here to help change that!

Don't lose your home to fund your care. There is an alternative to selling your home to fund your care. It gives you the security of knowing your care home fees will be paid and your loved ones will one day inherit your property.



Read more about how you can fund your care and keep your home here  
[www.mycaremyhome.co.uk](http://www.mycaremyhome.co.uk)

**Belmont Healthcare**

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### ANNOUNCING: THE BELMONT HEALTHCARE WINTER PAY UPLIFT

Belmont Healthcare Group have taken further steps this month to acknowledge our current and new incoming care **SUPERHEROES**.

To add a further layer of support to our teams we have taken the view to increase our pay rate substantially mid financial year as we enter our busiest time of year.

Belmont Healthcare has created a simple Pay Grade structure rewarding responsibility and team member support - this means that some of our team are seeing up to an 18% increase in their pay.

In addition, we are including £1 per hour bonus shift payments for all cover shifts / bank shifts AND, that's not all...

We are supporting a Winter Bonus to compensate for those January Blues which is a £50 a month bonus payment for 3 months\* leading from November 2021 into January 2022 giving a nice additional lump sum as the winter pressures begin to ease.

We are so grateful to our amazing **SUPERHERO WORKFORCE** and their continued support throughout the Winter period.

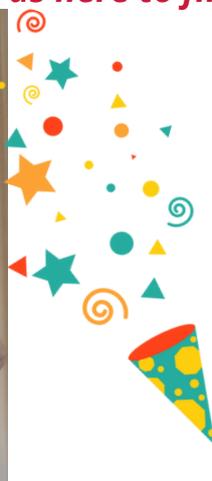
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To those with us and those wishing to join us  
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\*conditions apply  
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Wishing all of our Residents,  
Families, Care Teams & Readers a  
wonderful, happy and peaceful  
Christmas.....



Every month we recognise our outstanding employees of the month for their dedication and commitment at each of our care homes. Here is Chris Watson from Edendale Lodge - enjoy spending your well deserved vouchers!

**We look forward to bringing you many more updates in our January newsletter - stay Safe!**



Jingle bells, jingle bells,  
jingle all the way - oh what  
fun it is to ride on a one  
horse open sleigh.....

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