

Welcome

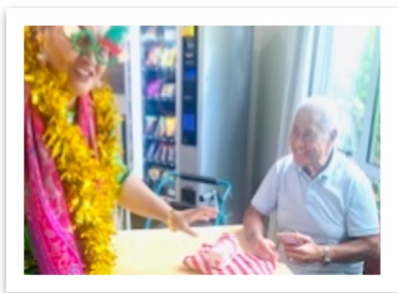
Summer 2026

Kia ora residents and whānau,

As we move into autumn, it's a lovely time to reflect on the warmer days behind us and the many memories we've shared together.

Over the past months, residents have enjoyed getting outdoors when the weather allowed, spending time with friends and whānau, and taking part in activities around the home. In this newsletter, we're pleased to share some of the events, activities, and everyday moments that continue to make our home such a special place.

Activities and Celebrations



Each resident received a Christmas present.

At CHT David Lange, every season brings opportunities to connect, celebrate, and create happy memories together.

Last November, we were delighted to welcome the Vivili Kihe'eiki church group, who joined us for a special service. The pastor shared an uplifting message about faith, love and togetherness. As a generous gesture, the group also gifted each resident a Christmas present, spreading warmth and joy during the festive season.

Festive moments

In December, a talented group of Filipino children visited to perform Christmas carols while playing their ukuleles. Their music brought smiles all around and was a lovely way to begin the holiday celebrations. Residents also enjoyed a festive Christmas meal together, sharing good food and good company.

At the start of the new year, our activities team introduced new sensory games as part of the programme. One favourite was the "Guess the Vegetable" challenge, where residents used their sense of touch to identify different vegetables without looking.

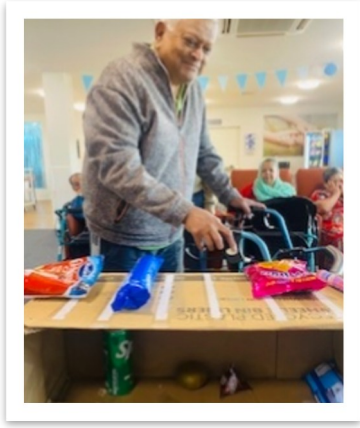
Another popular activity was the Box Game, where residents placed snacks in the correct spots to win a prize. These games encouraged concentration, coordination and plenty of friendly competition.

The excitement and laughter in the room were wonderful to see.



Enjoying the Christmas meal.

Improvements and Initiatives



Following feedback from our residents, we have introduced several new games to add variety and enjoyment to our daily activities. One of these is a sensory vegetable game, where residents explore different textures, colours and shapes while sharing memories and conversations about food and everyday life.

We have also introduced a memory-matching game, where residents remember what is hidden in different boxes and match the prizes to the correct one.

These new activities reflect what our residents asked for – more choice, more engagement, and more opportunities to spend meaningful time together.

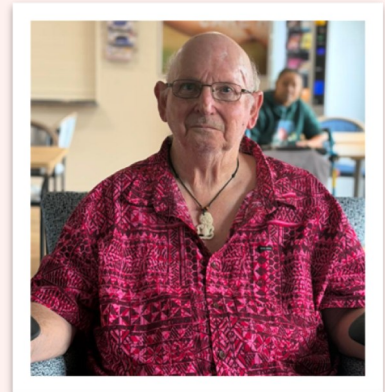
Resident Profile: Tom

"Hi, my name is Tom and I am a resident at David Lange. I have been living here since November last year, and my experience has been very positive for both me and my family.

I value the supportive and welcoming environment, and I enjoy spending time with fellow residents. I also appreciate having my own personal space.

One of my favourite activities is the fortnightly karaoke sessions, where I enjoy getting involved and having a good singalong.

David Lange truly feels like home, and it gives my family great comfort to see me happy, safe and well cared for."



Tom enjoying life at David Lange.

Note from the Care Home Manager

I would like to thank our residents, whānau and staff for the care, kindness and support shown over the past months. It is the everyday moments – the conversations, the laughter, and the way we look out for one another – that truly make this home what it is.

As we move into the coming months, we remain committed to providing a safe, welcoming and supportive environment for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support of the residents and staff at David Lange Care Home.

Best wishes,

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