

Welcome

Winter 2026

Kia ora and a warm welcome

One of the many special features of CHT Acacia Park is its remarkable outlook. From our beautiful gardens and the bustling Community Village below, to the stunning Tauranga Harbour and the distant Kaimai Ranges, there's always something to enjoy from every window.

This edition celebrates some of the special moments we've shared over the past few months.

We hope you enjoy reading about the activities, celebrations and everyday experiences that continue to make Acacia Park such a welcoming community.

Winter reminder

As we move through winter, please help protect our residents by postponing your visit if you're unwell, practising good hand hygiene and following any guidance from our team. Thank you for helping keep our communities safe.

Activities and Celebrations



ANZAC Day commemoration

Residents, families, staff and members of the local community gathered in our beautiful gardens to commemorate ANZAC Day. The service opened with a welcome from the Care Home Manager before residents joined community representatives in laying a wreath, creating a moving tribute to those who served. It was a meaningful opportunity to come together in remembrance, gratitude and respect.

Weekly church service

Each Wednesday afternoon brings a special sense of togetherness as residents gather for our weekly church service.

We are grateful to the volunteers from local churches who generously give their time to lead the service, with hymns accompanied by piano and uplifting scripture readings.

Supporting residents' spiritual wellbeing is an important part of life at Acacia Park, and one resident shared that she eagerly looks forward to the service each week and appreciates the staff who remind her when it's time to attend.

Improvements and Initiatives



Intergenerational connections

Residents recently welcomed children from Ōmokoroa Preschool for a wonderful morning of games, sing-alongs and conversation. The relaxed and joyful atmosphere provided opportunities to share cherished memories and celebrate meaningful moments from residents' lives, creating special connections across the generations.

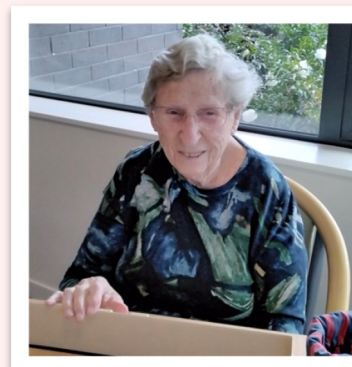
The visits have been warmly received by residents, and we're delighted that Ōmokoroa Preschool will now visit monthly as part of our ongoing commitment to meaningful community engagement.

Resident Stories: Meet Jean

Born in Auckland, Jean spent much of her childhood on a farm in Karioi, near Raglan, before later moving to Hamilton. While working in an office in Frankton, she experienced the devastating 1948 tornado, which tore through the building and left only two walls standing.

Jean met her husband, Lois, at a YMCA dance, and they married in 1949. Following his service in the Air Force, the couple settled in Te Kowhai, where they farmed for 60 years and raised their family. Today, Jean has three children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Jean has been part of the Acacia Park community for more than a year. She enjoys bingo and Rummikub and appreciates the peaceful surroundings and friendly staff that make Acacia Park feel like home.



Note from the Care Home Manager

Staying connected with family and friends is so important, and we understand that regular visits aren't always possible.

If you'd like help arranging a video or phone call with your loved one, please don't hesitate to speak with me or a member of our team. We're always happy to help residents stay connected and continue sharing those special moments with the people who matter most.

Warm regards,

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