

Welcome

Winter 2026

Kia ora everyone

A warm welcome to everyone joining the CHT Waiuku community. Whether renewing old friendships or making new ones, it's always a pleasure to see residents settling into life at our care home.

We've also enjoyed welcoming students from Waiuku College, whose regular visits have brought fresh energy, conversation and companionship to residents.

We hope you enjoy reading about some of the moments we've shared together over the past few months.

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

Residents enjoyed a memorable visit from the Waiuku Theatre Group, who performed selections from their musical *A Soldier's Story*.

The performance was warmly received, bringing music, storytelling and plenty of smiles to the care home while strengthening the longstanding connection between the two groups.

The spirit of remembrance continued through the residents' knitting group, whose beautifully crafted poppies supported the local RSA's annual appeal. Combined with donations from theatre performance tickets and poppy sales, more than \$1,200 was raised—a wonderful reflection of the generosity and community spirit shared by everyone involved.

Samoan Language Week was another highlight, with the care home coming alive with traditional music, dance and food.

Staff member Leoni, dressed in traditional Samoan attire, proudly shared her culture through a special performance, offering residents a meaningful insight into her Samoan heritage. As the daughter of a village chief, Leoni's stories and traditions made the celebration especially memorable, with fellow staff joining in the festivities.



Improvements and Initiatives



Several improvements have recently been completed to enhance the care home environment and support the wellbeing of residents and staff. CCTV was installed in June across the building's perimeter and shared indoor spaces, providing additional reassurance while supporting resident safety.

A new water filtration system has also been installed to reduce limescale from Waiuku's water supply, helping protect essential equipment and improve the reliability of the care home's water systems. A new boundary fence has also been completed, creating a safer, more secure environment for residents and our neighbouring community.

Resident Stories: Meet Murray

Born in Waihi, Murray Angle left school at just 14 and built a life defined by hard work, resilience and a love of learning. From the Kinleith timber yards to qualifying as a diesel mechanic and working on industrial cranes in Fiji, he embraced every opportunity that came his way.

Farming soon became Murray's true passion. Together with his late wife, Raewyn, he transformed a 340-acre beef farm in Waerenga into a thriving dairy operation before later developing avocado orchards and caring for his prized Hereford cattle in Katikati.

Today, a cow-shaped planter sits proudly in Murray's room. A fitting reminder of a lifetime spent doing what he loved and a lasting connection to the land that shaped so much of his life.



Note from the Care Home Manager

Congratulations to Compass Chef Manager Shivani and her kitchen team on successfully completing their one-year certification audit in June. The auditor praised the team's high standards of cleanliness, food storage and kitchen organisation. A wonderful achievement.

Jeanette has also been busy tidying and replanting areas affected by the recent fence work, while our knitting group is planning a creative makeover of the tree trunks at the front entrance, bringing even more colour to our care home.

Thank you to our families and friends for your continued support. Your visits and involvement mean so much to our residents and help make CHT Waiuku the welcoming community it is.

Best wishes,

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