

News from

HONEY LANE CARE HOME

Dear friends,

As a fresh new season unfolds, our home is brimming with joy and vibrant energy! Catch a glimpse of our delightful summer adventures in our latest newsletter.



Caribbean carnival

Carnival came to Honey Lane in August as we celebrated the end of the summer with a Notting Hill Carnival-style party. Inspired by the annual Caribbean carnival, we created our own Essex version! We embraced Caribbean culture with wonderful music, dancing and games, colourful costumes, and perhaps most importantly, delicious food.

Team member Desta took over the kitchen to cook the most amazing Jamaican dishes for our residents and guests. Resident AJ is from Guyana, and has a strong connection to Caribbean culture, and he just loved the party. He said the music and food brought him right back to his roots! Thank you to everyone that joined us for this special celebration.

Fun and games in the garden

We've been treated to some glorious sunshine this summer, and our residents made the most of it with lively outdoor games. From bean bag throwing and darts to the classic game of quoits, the garden was filled with laughter, friendly competition, and plenty of smiles. Everyone joined in the fun - whether playing, cheering, or encouraging one another. It was a wonderful way to enjoy fresh air, gentle exercise, and great company.



A spotlight on our Honey Bees



This year we were thrilled to be national finalists in the Intergenerational Activity award at the Dementia Care Awards. The award recognises initiatives that have been developed and implemented to help enhance the lives of those living with dementia. Our Honey Bees are a wonderful group of pre-schoolers who visit us every other Wednesday to play and engage with our residents.

Although we did not win, we were chuffed for a spotlight to be shone on our wonderful Honey Bees project for its innovation and impact – helping to bridge the generations and create magical moments that light up our home.



Award-winning blooms!

Throughout the summer, our green-fingered residents, with support from our gardener, have been getting our outdoor spaces ready for the annual Waltham Abbey in Bloom competition.

A lot of time and effort goes into making our gardens accessible to all, and a place that our residents can enjoy. We are over the moon to announce that our hard work paid off as we won in all the categories we entered! We are proud to be crowned Best Communal Garden, Best Communal Hanging Basket, Best Communal Container and to top it off - the overall winner of the Best in Bloom 2025!



With love,
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**We always love reading your comments on Facebook!
Here are a few recent ones:**

"Just love your posts - what great activities to keep the mind active." Helen

Best home ever. Love them all so much.
Residents are so well looked after xxxx" Dawne

"Bless them looks a beautiful and happy place xxx" Jean



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