## **GREETINGS FROM ST ANDREWS**

## **JANUARY 2021**

Firstly, we would like to wish you all a very happy New Year, and would like to thank you for your patience and tolerance during the last few months. We understand it has been incredibly difficult for you all, unable to visit with your family member, or to join in with our activities, and hopefully, you will be pleased to hear the news that we are doing everything within our power to make life a little better for all involved.

The home has now been deep cleaned by a specialist company, so if there were any covid 19 bugs lurking in our carpets or soft furnishings, they have now been removed!!! This means that the lounges and communal areas should be ready to use as of Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January, and we look forward to seeing residents back in them.

We have also got Tony and Ian refurbishing many of our bedrooms, getting them ready for us to meet and welcome new faces to St Andrews in the very near future.

Staff and residents have had their first vaccinations against the virus. This, hopefully, will give all parties a little peace of mind. Stella was first in the queue, and she said she never felt at thing.



The Olive lounge has been smartened up over the last couple of weeks. There is now a new storage space for activities, a new tv, new seating , and most importantly for you, a visitors pod. This means that you and your family member can visit each other again, and although it's not quite face to face, it's an opportunity to speak to each other, and chat. And most importantly, it is safe. Some of you had the chance to try it out before Christmas, and the feedback we received was very positive. Cheryl has already been speaking with family members, and visits will begin again on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January. These will be by appointment, and you can call to make a date for visits anytime.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the gifts we have received from you, not only at Christmas, but throughout the year. Your kindness has been overwhelming , and we have no words to express our gratitude to everyone .

So to bring everything to a close, we are moving into 2021 with positivity, and the aim to keep each and every resident healthy, happy and safe.