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Residents at Royal Star & Garter celebrate Chinese New Year and Pancake Day

Residents at Royal Star & Garter have been kept entertained as they celebrated Chinese New Year and Pancake Day at the charity's three care homes.

They enjoyed Chinese-themed activities and food between 8-12 February as they welcomed in the Year of the Ox, and on 16 February, they helped prepare, toss and eat pancakes to mark Shrove Tuesday.



Staff at the Solihull Home prepare to dish up pancakes to veterans

Activities and events took place in all three Royal Star & Garter Homes, in Solihull, Surbiton and High Wycombe.

In Surbiton, residents enjoyed a week of activities to mark Chinese New Year, including making spring rolls. In High Wycombe, the veterans painted cherry blossom trees, and in Solihull they took part

in arts and crafts activities. The Homes also served mouth-watering Chinese dinners in decorated dining rooms.

On Shrove Tuesday, residents helped to make and eat freshly prepared pancakes with toppings of their choice.

High Wycombe resident Margaret commented: "The Home was beautifully decorated for Chinese New Year and we enjoyed all the activities. Pancake Day was so much fun too."

The charity, which provides loving, compassionate care to veterans and their partners living with disability or dementia, celebrates cultural days



Chinese New Year-themed flower arranging

throughout the calendar, such as patron saints days, Burns Night, Valentine's Day and Halloween. It is part of a busy schedule of daily activities, which keep residents mentally and physically active.



Care with courage



Events and activities celebrating Chinese New Year at the Surbiton Home

Pauline Shaw, Director of Care at Royal Star & Garter, said: "The Activities teams do a wonderful job marking and celebrating special dates and cultural events in each of the Homes. They help keep residents amused, active and stimulated, which is all part of the holistic care we provide."

The charity is welcoming new residents to all of its Homes. For more information on this, and life in the Homes, please visit: www.starandgarter.org.

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