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MEDIA RELEASE

Easter eggs-citement in our Homes

Easter egg hunts, cards from local school children, special messages to family and WhatsApp calls, staff at Catholic Healthcare are helping residents stay connected with loved ones and ensuring that life remains as vibrant as possible, especially at Easter.

Residents of Gertrude Abbott Aged Care in Surry Hills were thrilled to receive such touching Easter cards from local school children. Such a beautiful gesture.

At Holy Spirit Aged Care in Dubbo, each resident was photographed with a special message for their loved ones. Our residents are missing their families that bit more at Easter and this has been a great way for everyone to connect.

At St Paul's in the Sydney suburb of Northbridge, residents have been listening to podcasts, going on egg hunts and knitting little bunnies for bedbound fellow residents. These cute bunnies are bringing a smile to everyone – both the knitters making them and the residents who are loving receiving them.

At Villa Maria Fortitude Valley in Brisbane, residents are also enjoying giving as much as receiving. In preparation for Easter, residents and staff have been making Easter cups and cards for family and friends. They have been left at the Home's reception desk for family members to collect before Easter Sunday.

An Easter egg hunt was also held in the newly renovated courtyard, followed by ice-cream for all. Trophies were presented for first, second and third prizes for the best Easter egg hunter. There was also a Mega Easter raffle with 12 lucky prize winners each receiving an Easter basket.

And amongst all the Easter fun, a special happy birthday to Emmaus Village resident, Ethel, who turned 103 years old this week. She has lived through the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1919 and now our own 2020 version. Staff and residents celebrated her birthday together with balloons, flowers and cake.

Happy birthday Ethel and Happy Easter from Catholic Healthcare.

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