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Nottinghamshire Care Services Host Nostalgic Family Fun Day

Two care services in Nottinghamshire recently stepped back in time with a family funday full of connection, laughter and nostalgia.

Located on Park Hall Road, Pines and Cherry Tree House are two residential care services for adults with autism and learning disabilities.

The Cygnet Social Care services hosted their annual Family Fun Day, which saw the loved ones of residents visit the Mansfield-Woodhouse service for an afternoon of entertainment and making memories.

Nostalgic tunes with music from the 90s set the party backdrop for the day as attendees took to a bouncy castle to kick off the fun.

Sharon Wilson, Administrator at the Cygnet Social Care services, said: "It was a great day and it was made extra special by our residents spending time with their loved ones. Everyone was really happy and engaged throughout the whole day. It's so important that the individuals we care for are always included and have a choice to do what they enjoy.

"Their families are important to us too as they bring a wealth of knowledge about their loved ones at our services. This came in handy when planning the activities of the day as we shaped them around what our residents enjoyed on family holidays as children."

A tasty barbecue of burgers and hotdogs kept the Cygnet Social Care staff, residents and their loved ones fuelled throughout the day. Sweet treats from a candyfloss machine and donut stall were washed down with mocktails named after the residents.

There were a variety of funfair-style games on hand like hook-a-duck as well as a petting zoo, which saw the more daring attendees handle the likes of snakes. The day ended on a sweet note with a visit from the local ice-cream van.

Sharon said: "Here at Cygnet Social Care, our service users are our priority and their wellbeing is paramount. It was a great opportunity to show their friends and family that our team really care and respect all of the individuals we support.

"Our Family Fun Day also saw us unite residents from both Cherry Tree House and Pines, who all get on so well. But also families travelled from across the country and

were able to meet each other, have fun and know they are not alone. It was certainly enjoyable and there was a real atmosphere of community spirit."