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GOC NSW: Students from the Greek Schools Clemton Park, Bring Christmas Cheer to Earlwood Aged-Care Residents with Greek Carols



Students from the Greek Orthodox Community of NSW Afternoon and Saturday Greek Schools from Clemton Park PS brought joy, colour, and Christmas spirit to the residents of the Greek Orthodox Community Home for the Aged in Earlwood.

Children from Kindergarten to high school arrived dressed in festive outfits and performed four traditional Greek Christmas carols. Their angelic voices drew residents and staff into the common areas, filling the home with warmth, nostalgia, and pride in the Greek heritage language.

The atmosphere was emotional and uplifting. Many residents were brought to tears as the children’s voices stirred precious memories.

“The moment the children began singing, the entire home lit up,” said a staff member. “You could feel the mood shift to joy and calm. It’s one of the most

meaningful visits we've had all year."

Residents also shared how deeply the performance touched them.

"Hearing the carols in Greek took me straight back to my village," said one resident. "For a few minutes, I felt young again."



Teachers from the Greek Orthodox Community of NSW Schools attended alongside parents, who were visibly proud of the children's confidence and connection to their culture.

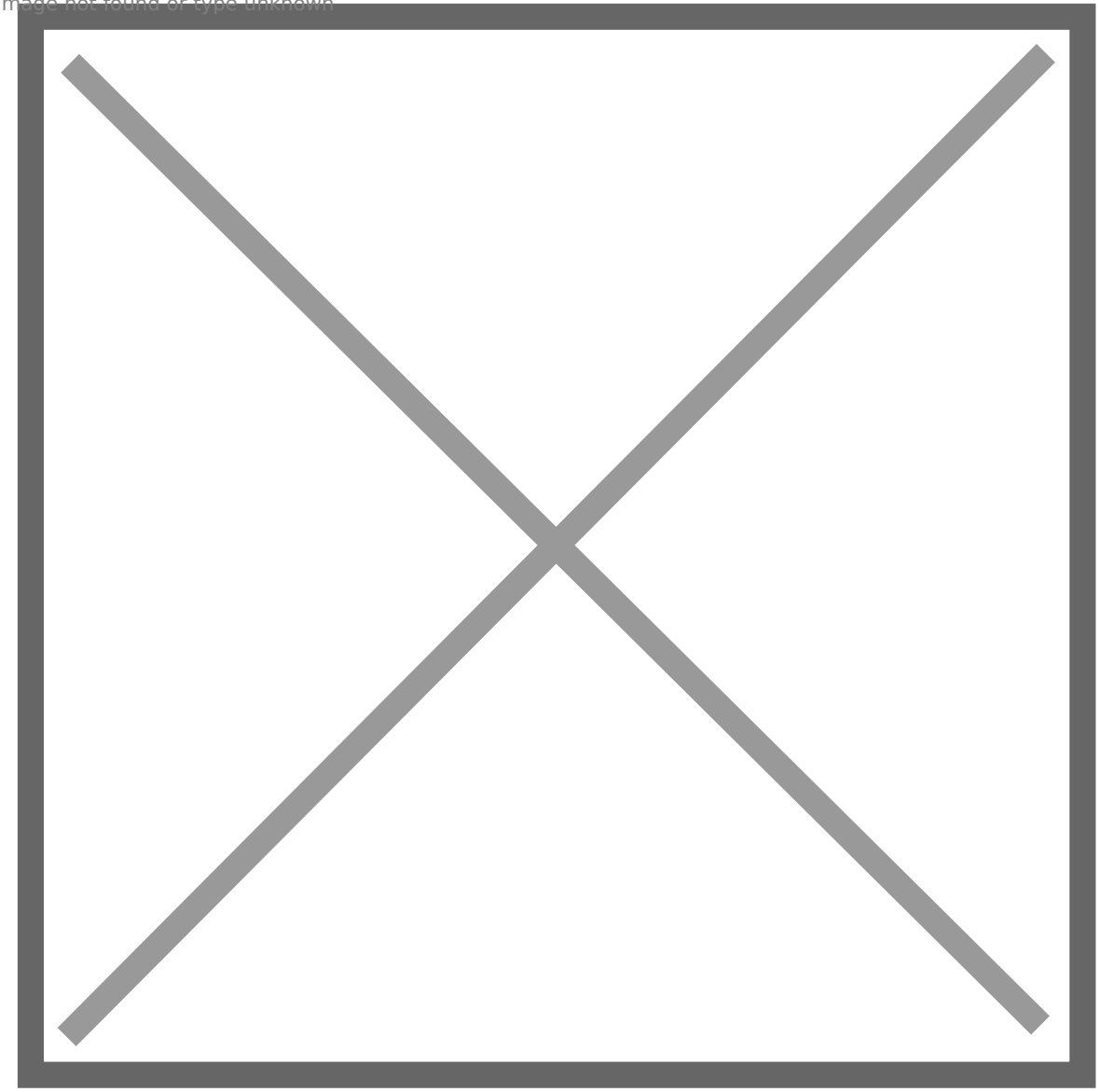
"Seeing our children honour their heritage while bringing happiness to the elders was incredibly moving," said Maria Rontziokos a parent. "It reminded all of us how important these traditions are."

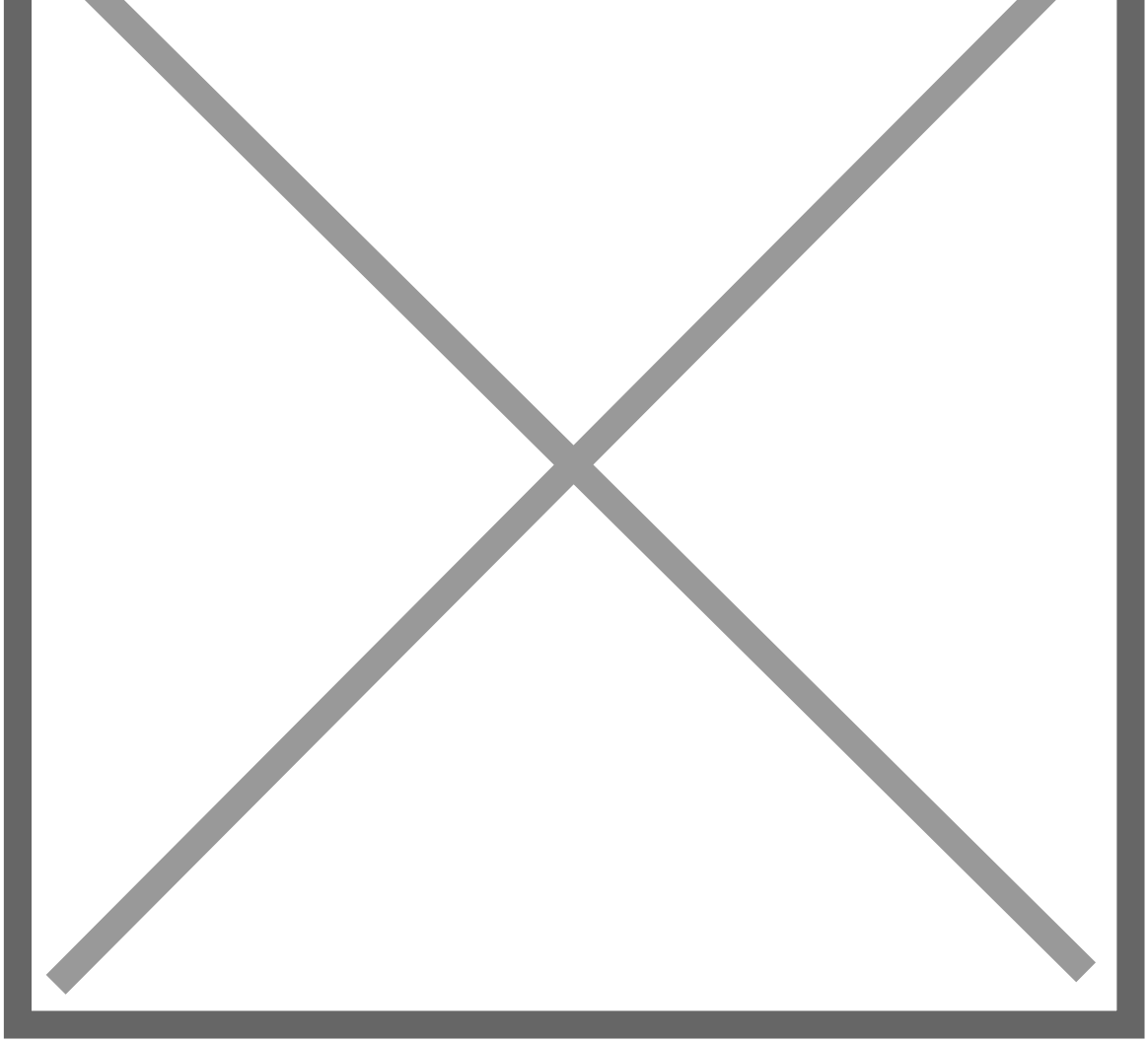
The visit ended on a lively note as teachers, parents, and students joined together in a final, spirited rendition of Jingle Bells, complete with triangles and bells that had the whole room clapping along.

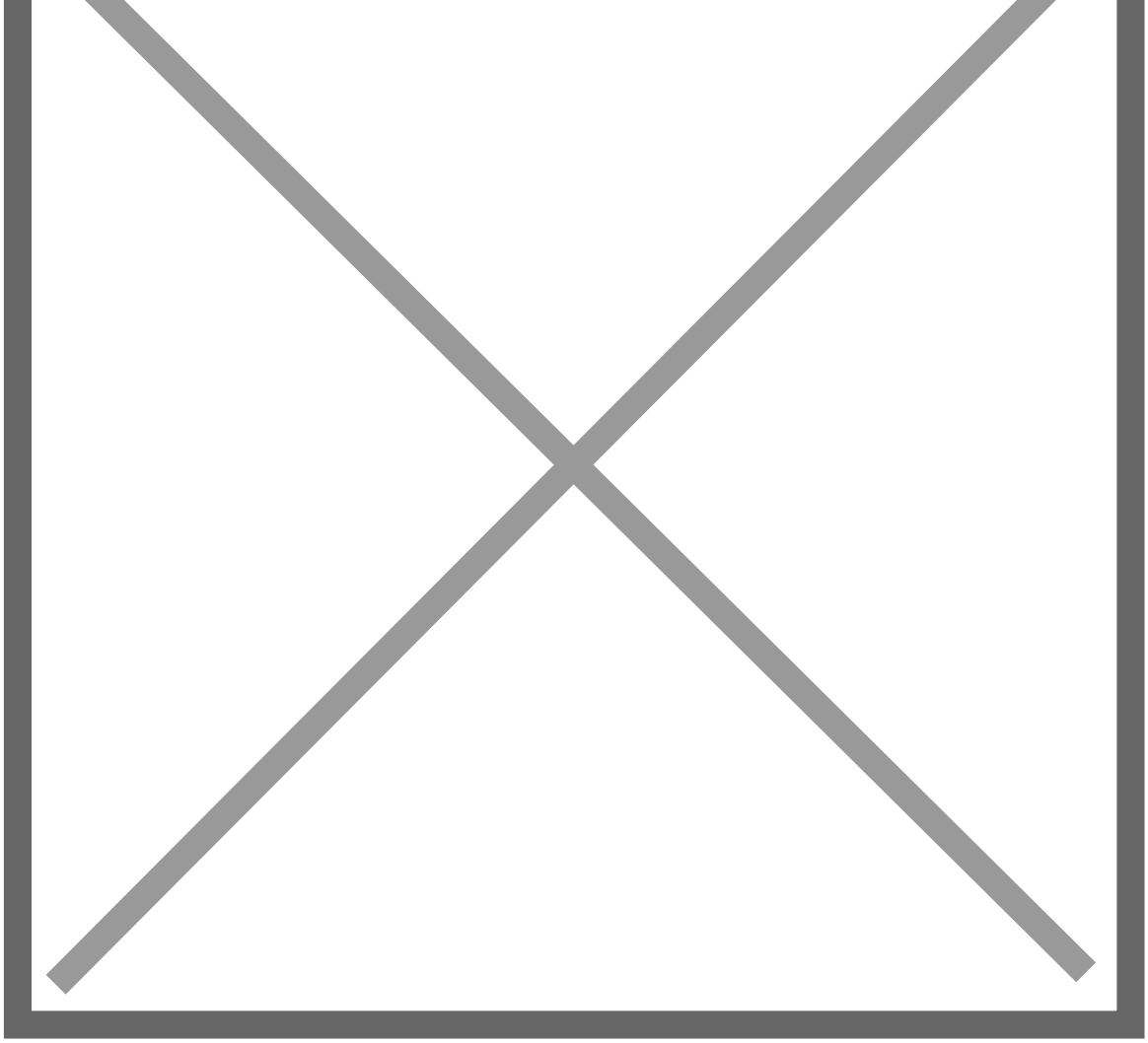
It was a memorable afternoon that celebrated culture, family, and the timeless power of community.

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