

RUABON NEWS LETTER 238

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Ysgol Rhiwabon GCSE Results- August 23rd 2018

Students and staff at Ysgol Rhiwabon are celebrating Key Stage 4 results which build on last year's success.

The school is delighted to report;

- Every student leaving Ysgol Rhiwabon had a range of GCSE passes or their equivalent.
- A pleasing A* - C pass rate in the core subjects English Language, Mathematics and Science
- A significant number of the cohort achieved the upper grades A* - B across their subjects
- 87% of the year group achieving A* - C in the Skills Challenge Qualification.

The school is proud of the achievements of this year's students as they prepare for sixth form studies or the world of work. The results are very pleasing as they have been secured against harder examination measures, relatively new specifications and changing performance measures; for this reason alone the students should be congratulated on their success.

Headteacher, Mrs Ferron-Evans said:

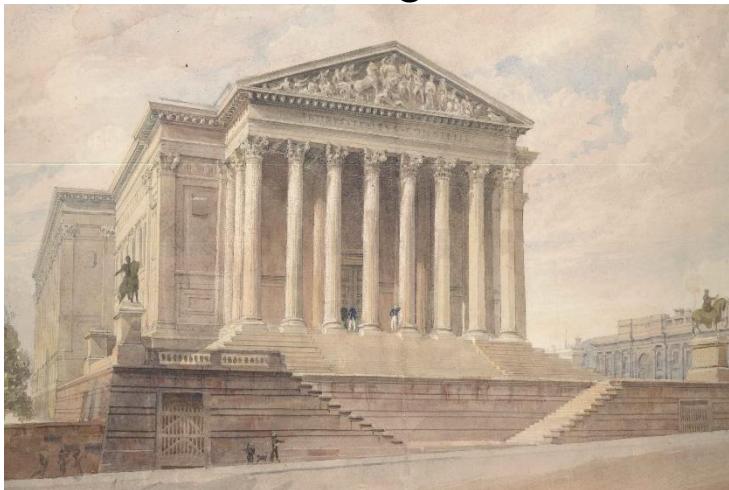
"This is a year group which has worked very hard to secure success, attending lots of extra lessons and revision sessions and we are pleased with this set of results. There are some excellent individual performances.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, students and parents for the incredible amount of hard work and dedication shown across a wide range of studies.

The results will enable our young people to further their studies at sixth form or to enter the world of work as confident and successful individuals. We wish them continued success and happiness in the future.

'A VISIT TO LIVERPOOL' by Margaret Williams.

I'd forgotten how very easy it is to travel to Liverpool. Just get on the train at Ruabon station, arrive at Chester 20 minutes later, cross over to platform 7 and then let Mersey Rail take you into the heart of the busy city - no cars, no traffic and no parking to contend with. When you get there, what to do? We'd heard about the Walker Art Gallery, the World Museum, the wonderful new Library and other centres of excellence, there are many, but they were not for us on this occasion. We had a purpose for the journey, of course, and it was to visit St. George's Hall which was open to the public.



Like many people, I'd heard about St. George's Hall often enough, but again, like many people, had never visited it. When we left the train at Lime Street station we found we were in exactly the

right spot to enter the building. We were directed towards the lecture room where our visit was to begin and there, a remarkable man, the excellent Mr. Steve Binns, M.B.E. regaled us with an account of the building of the Hall. The planning and building of the Hall took place over many years and when it was at last completed during the 1850's, it was a performance of Handel's Messiah that marked the occasion. I imagine that the great and the good of Liverpool society would have flocked to this prestigious event and have seen for themselves the magnificence of their new building.

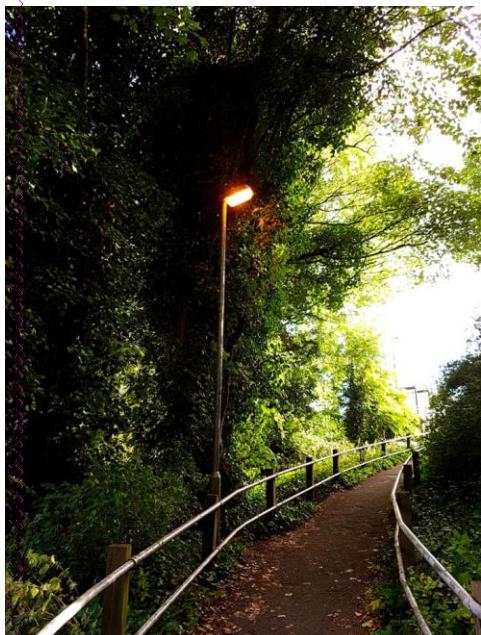


The organ towered above us as we entered the Hall and our eyes were drawn to the massive organ pipes which dominate the room from above, all 7,700 of them, while the precious Minton-tiled floor rises to combine with them in awesome spectacle.

The wonderful sights that we saw in St. George's Hall last week must have astonished those who saw it, bearing in mind the poverty and squalor which was the lot of so many. Yet this was an era of expansion and confidence in the country. Exploration in Africa was increasing and the search for a North-West Passage through the frozen wastes of the Arctic attracted many an adventurous sailor and scientist, never to return.

Businessmen, merchants and traders seized upon the new opportunities that lay before them. Great Britain was becoming the powerhouse of trade and Empire which we have read about in our younger days. I think that what we saw in Liverpool that day was a manifestation of that pride and hope for the future, laying the foundations of improved education and prosperity for working people and that we are now fortunate to have on our doorstep so many reminders of our history.

Thank you Margaret for sharing this excellent piece with us all.



These are some of the photos taken of Ruabon by Zuzana Lachova, sent in for the News Letter, for us all to enjoy.

Zuzana said on facebook: "After all the sad news and troubles in our lovely village I decided to take some photos of our beautiful Ruabon. It's an amazing place to live in with a beautiful buildings and long history. I love our village and I am proud to be a part of it. Hope these photos will brighten your day ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️".

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RUABON HIGH STREET IS NOW OPEN - EARLIER THAN PREDICTED !!!

RUABON BOWLING CLUB

Maes-y Llan Lane, Ruabon

Match Results 2018

Oswestry and District Bowling League:

Division One

Tuesday 21st August: Johnstown A: 6 v Ruabon A: 4 (away)

Division Three

Wednesday 22nd August: Ruabon B: 7 v. Ll/mynech 4 (home)

Division Six

Thursday 23rd August: Ruabon C: 10 v. Llanfyllin: 0 (home)

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Wrexham and District Bowling League

Pairs Division

Monday 20th August: Castell Alun: 0 v. Ruabon: 8 (away)

Saturday Division One

Saturday 25th August: Ruabon B: 8 v. Coedpoeth 6 (home)

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FRIENDS OF RUABON



Friends of Ruabon will hold their monthly meeting on Saturday 1st September from 10am to 12 noon at The Bridge End Inn, courtesy of Gillian and Peter Mc Givern.

Everyone is welcome to attend



Caudwell Children will be moving to the Caudwell International Children's Centre (CICC) on Wednesday 29th August 2018.

The centre will be the UK's first independent, purpose-built facility dedicated to autism and neuro-developmental disorders.

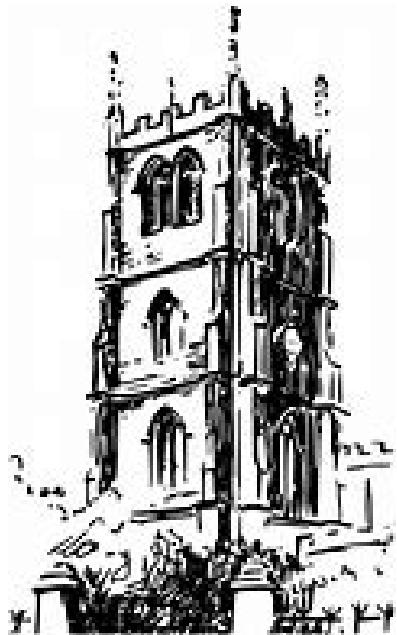
The centre will be located at Innovation Way, Keele Science and Innovation Park, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 5NT.

Whilst individual telephone numbers will be changing you can continue to contact the main switchboard on 0345 300 1348.

The centre will house the new Caudwell Children Autism Service. Information on the new service and the referral process will be available soon.

Get in Touch: Caudwell Children' Minton Hollins Building
Shelton Old Road, Stoke on Trent ST4 7RY
Trudi Beswick; the CEO of Caudwell Children
charity@caudwellchildren.com

St Mary's Church Open Day



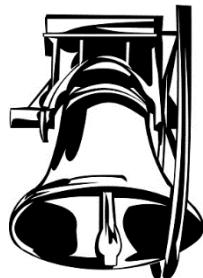
**The church will be open from
10am on Saturday 8th
September**

**Come and experience the
history**

**Trace the past in the church
registers**

Stop for tea or coffee

Book a tower tour for 1.30pm or 3pm



**Come and listen to the bells on their 250th
birthday, 11am-12.30pm**

**Let your teddy bear enjoy going down
the zip wire from the tower, 1pm
onwards**

**Teddy bears' picnic at 3pm, bring
your baptism teddy!**



Happy Hands Playgroup & Rising 4's

C/o St Mary's Church Aided School, Overton Road, Ruabon, Wrexham, LL14 6LE. Tele 07513 296496



Charity Registration No. 1047647
CIW Reg No. W030000934/RP001/0001

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 5th September 2018
9.30am to 11.00am

Looking for a place where your child can learn and grow at their own pace. A place filled with adventure and where crafts fuel creativity. Do you seek an environment where your little one is safe to explore and discover? Look no further.

Why not pop into our open session, meet our friendly professional staff and talk with other parents and see what our group has to offer?

We currently have spaces available for September 2018 as follows;

PLAYGROUP
Monday to Friday 9am-11am

Children must be 2½ years old.

RISING 4'S

**Monday to Friday 11.30am-3pm
(Please provide a packed lunch)
For children attending Nursery 3-4 year olds.**

ALL DAY CARE

**Monday to Friday 9am-3pm
Children must be 2½ years to Nursery age.**

For further information please pop into our group and speak to a member of staff or e-mail smassinghams@gmail.com

RUABON LIBRARY



Books AND Far, Far More

To display work in the Exhibition area at Ruabon Library IS FREE. Please contact a member of staff during opening times to find out which months are still available during 2018, (see below).

Ongoing book and DVD sales of discontinued material at RUABON library: - BIG PRICE REDUCTIONS.

**For information on all sessions, please telephone to speak to a member of staff, when the library is open, on 01978 822002, or email:
ruabonlibrary@wrexham.gov.uk.**

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018!

This year's Summer Reading Challenge is here! It encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six library books over three visits during the long summer holiday. Children's reading can 'dip' during the summer holidays if they don't have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure. This year's theme is 'Mischief Makers'



Makers' inspired by the much-loved children's title Beano, which celebrates its 80th anniversary. Starring are Dennis the Menace and Gnasher amongst others. Are you up for the challenge?

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There are colouring and activity sheets available in the library. Our colouring for mindfulness and jigsaw continues to be open to all.

Mondays 3pm: Family Board games

Thursdays 3-4pm: weekly craft corner (unsupervised)

Thursday 23.8.18: Craft Club 50p 3-4pm (booking required)

Fridays 3 o'clock Club - stories, Lego, puzzles, jigsaws & colouring

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The Knit and Natter group now meets once a week on a Friday from 2pm. Refreshments are provided. New members are always welcome.

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FREE: Welsh Conversation Group/Grwp Sgwrsio Cymraeg am ddim. Suitable for all ages – Yn addas I ddysgwyr.

At Ruabon Library – Yn Llyfrgell Rhiwabon. On Mondays – 2-3pm/Pob Dydd Llun – 2-3 o'r gloch.



** ***Do you enjoy playing Scrabble? The Scrabble Club takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month***

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For those who enjoy doing Jig-Saw Puzzles, there is usually one 'on the go' for you to either put in a couple of pieces or finish it off altogether!

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Normal opening times are: Monday-10am-6pm; Tuesday- 2-5pm; Wednesday-2-5pm; Thursday-2-5pm; Friday-10am –6pm.

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Design a Library Card Competition



Did you enter our Design a Library Card Competition? If so why not visit Wrexham Library from the 30th August to see our fantastic exhibition of all the entries. Over 450 of you created some wonderful designs and they will all be on display in our foyer area. The winning entries will be presented with their prize and of course a card which they designed on Thursday 30th of August at 11am.

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RUABON CHURCHES' NEWS



St Mary's Shared Church - General Information:

For Children:

Toddler Praise for pre-school children on Tuesday mornings in the church hall from 10.30am to 12 noon

Messy Church and Holiday Club please check website for details.

Youth Group is on Sunday evenings 5pm-6.30pm.

All Age Worship: The 1st Sunday in the month is a Family Communion Service at 9.30am.

On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month there is the JIGSAW service: informal worship for all ages.

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The Church Hall is open to all on the 1st Saturday of the month for coffee from 10am to 12noon.

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The Choir practices on Tuesday evenings in the Church Hall at 7.15pm and sings at the 9.30am service every Sunday.

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The Bell Ringers practice weekly and ring for weddings when requested. Details from Gordon Richardson: g.j.richardson@hotmail.co.uk phone: 07970 140004.

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To hire the Church Hall please contact: Janet Roberts 01978 810039/email neilandjanet1@hotmail.co.uk

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For wedding or baptism enquiries please contact: The Rev'd Kate Tiltman, The Vicarage, Church Street, Rhosymedre, LL14 3EA. Phone: 01978 824087, katherinetiltman@gmail.com / www.stmarysruabon.org.uk.

St Mary's Church; St John's Church and St Mary's Youth Group also have a facebook page.

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St John's has a website www.stjohnsrhosymedre.org.uk

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For Catholic weddings, baptisms and confessions in Ruabon, Chirk and Llangollen: Rev'd Fr. Anthony Nnamah MSP email: chykenam@gmail.com.

RUABON AND DISTRICT CHURCH SERVICES

At St Mary's Church on Tuesday 28th August at 10.30am: Toddler Group.

On Sunday 2nd September at 8am Holy Communion and at 9.30am Family Communion

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The Catholic Church's celebration of the Eucharist at St Mary's shared Church in Ruabon, will take place on Sunday at 11am.

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At Ruabon Methodist Church on Saturday, 1st September from 10am to 12noon: OPEN CHURCH: ALL WELCOME! do come and join us for tea and coffee.

On Sunday 2nd September at 10.30am, Mr Tim Guy will lead the service.

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At the Congregational Church (the Chapel on the Hill) at 11am on Sunday 2nd September, Mr Alyn Thomas will conduct the service.

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At All Saints' Church, Penylan on Sunday 2nd September at 11am Family Service.

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At St. John's Church, Rhosymedre on Wednesday 29th August at 10am: a service of Morning Prayer.

On Sunday 2nd September at 11.00am: a Family Service and at 12noon: a Church Committee meeting.

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CHURCH NEWS:

- THE NEXT MEETING OF '**TIME WELL SPENT'** WILL START ON FRIDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER. COFFEE AND CHAT FROM 11AM, A COOKED LUNCH AND RELAX WITH FRIENDS.
- THE NEXT **FISH AND CHIPS AND BINGO** AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH IS ON TUESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER AT 12.30PM. PLEASE LET BEULAH OR THE VICAR KNOW IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND, ALL ARE WELCOME.
- **HOLIDAY HUNGER** CONTINUES AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. ALL OFFERS OF HELP WELCOME! MEET AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH AT 11AM. THANK YOU.
- THE NEXT **JCC/MA COFFEE MORNING** WILL BE ON SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 10AM-1PM, AND IT WILL BE IN AID OF THE ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY. TICKETS £2.
- THE NEXT **CELTIC WORSHIP** WILL BE ON TUESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 7PM IN PENYCAE. ALL WELCOME.
- THERE WILL BE A **BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP** FOR ANY PASTORAL ASSISTANTS OR OTHERS INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH A BEREAVEMENT CAFE ON MONDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 9.30AM-12.30PM IN ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL IN CHIRK
- SEPTEMBER 8TH WILL BE ST MARY'S CHURCH **OPEN DAY**. THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN, REGISTERS ON DISPLAY, REFRESHMENTS, TOWER TOURS, TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC AND TEDDY TERROR. CHURCH OPEN FROM 10AM, TEDDY TERROR FROM 1PM AND TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC AT 2.30PM. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!
- PHIL CAREY WILL BE HAVING A WELCOME SERVICE AT PONTFADOG CHURCH ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 2ND AT 6PM FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS.
- **LYCIG TASTER DAY**
SATURDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 10AM – 3.30PM AT THE PAVILION, LLANGOLLEN

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE FULL LEADING YOUR CHURCH INTO GROWTH COURSE TO BE INSPIRED AND HEAR SOME OF THE MAIN TEACHING POINTS.

- **ST ASAPH DIOCESAN LYCiG COURSE**

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH 2019 — SUNDAY 10TH MARCH 2019

AT THE HAYES CONFERENCE CENTRE, SWANWICK, NR DERBY

FOR ALMOST 25 YEARS THE LEADING YOUR CHURCH INTO GROWTH TEAM HAVE BEEN SERVING THE LOCAL CHURCH ACROSS THE UK. THEIR VISION IS TO ENCOURAGE AND EQUIP CHURCHES TO GROW BOTH NUMERICALLY AND SPIRITUALLY. SPEND THREE FOCUSING ON SIMPLE TECHNIQUES ANYONE CAN USE TO GROW THEIR CHURCH. EDRE.ORG.UK

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ROAD CLOSURES

Virgin Media works continuing in the Wrexham area. For any enquiries, please call: 08708 883116

Tan Y Clawdd, Johnstown: Sink hole repair, ROAD CLOSURE for 6 weeks until Monday, 03 September '18 Delays expected N/A. Further information: Whitehouse Construction.

What's on: – in and around Wrexham

This information has recently been updated, and is now available. Where there are no contact details or for more information on the following items: please contact: 01978 292000.

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WCBC



Due to popular demand WCBC has made it possible for people to add images when sending in reports on things like potholes, fly-tipping and other environmental issues, thus making it easier to locate the problem.

Ty Mawr – Tractor ride and Animal Trail; Venue: Ty Mawr; Date: **30/08/2018**

Time: **1.30pm a 3.30pm;** Ticket Price: £2.60

This event is suitable for All Ages

Nightingale House Colour Run (02/09/2018)

WARNING COLOUR OVERLOAD

This year there will be more colour than EVER and with 4 km of excitement only fun lovers need apply!

Support Nightingale House and join hundreds of people running through a blaze of colour on our 4 km course around Bangor-On-Dee. Start the course in your own t-shirt and finish as a unique work of art! This fun event is perfect for families and groups of friends or colleagues. For more information, contact our events team on 01978 314292

Standard – £15/Child (5-12) – FREE

Land of Legends: Wales, Arthur and the Tales of the Mabinogion (03/09/2018)

Set off on a quest this summer to rediscover the magic of the Mabinogion, King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table in Wrexham Museum's latest exhibition.

Guided Tour of Bersham Ironworks (08/09/2018)

Enjoy a guided tour of Bersham Ironworks and learn all about the impact of 'Iron Mad' Jack. Parking available at Bersham Ironworks. Please wear sensible footwear.

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bremner.millhouse@btinternet.com

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