



Wishing you all a Great Year  
in 2019



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The Nursery and Reception classes of St.Mary's Church in Wales Primary School, Ruabon, held a musical concert called, "All about Christmas,". It was enjoyed by a packed audience of family and friends.



The Toys



The Fairies



The Reindeer



Everyone onstage

The Nativity and Angels





With Photos of the Reindeer. Spies, Elves and the whole cast; St.Mary's Church in Wales Primary School Ruabon held their Junior Concert called "Christmas is Forever". It had a 007 theme. Father Christmas was kidnapped and Jane Blonde saves Christmas!

All these photos of the Nursery, Reception and Junior classes were sent in by Helen Probin on behalf



of St Mary's School.



So pleased that we are able to 'share' in the amazing work taken on by the staff to produce these colourful performances – obviously to the delight of the pupils!



# YSGOL RHIWABON



The annual 'Carols and Mince Pies' event took place on the 18<sup>th</sup> December with a total of 70 local residents enjoying the warm welcome and wonderful singing and playing of musical instruments by the students



## **The Ysgol Rhiwabon Christmas Fair Report** 20th December 2018

A big "thankyou" to the local community for the tremendous support given to yesterday's Christmas Fair! The annual fair is run by our Year 10 students, as part of their Welsh Bacallaureate qualification on enterprise.

**It was a great success!**



## Ysgol Rhiwabon Year 7 ASDAN Visit

Monday, 26th November 2018



As part of their ASDAN Stepping Stones programme, some of our Year 7 students recently visited the Ironworks Centre, Oswestry. They are shown here, standing in front of an angel made of knives, which is part of the “Save a Life – Surrender your Knife” project. The project aims to highlight the current knife crime epidemic, whilst raising awareness and education.

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### YSGOL RHIWABON MINIBUS FUNDRAISING

In order to assist our fundraising for a new School minibus, we've registered with easyfundraising, and we need your help!

easyfundraising is a great website where you can help us raise funds, simply by doing your everyday online shopping, with over 3,300 big name retailers like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S.

Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say „thank you“, and it's completely free too! We want to raise as much as possible, so please sign up and help us at:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ysgolrhiwabon/>

You can find more information on our school website:  
[ysgolrhiwabon.co.uk](http://ysgolrhiwabon.co.uk)



**ST MARY'S CHURCH HAS BROUGHT THE WHOLE VILLAGE INTO ITS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR.**

WITH THE NOW FAMILIAR SIGHT OF EVERYONE MEETING AT THE VILLAGE HALL TO BE READY FOR THE NATIVITY 'TREK' TO THE CHURCH; THIS TIME CALLING AT THE 'INN' FOR SHELTER (TO NO AVAIL, OF COURSE!).

THIS YEAR, BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS TREES DECORATED BY GROUPS AND BUSINESSES ADORNED THE CHURCH THROUGHOUT CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PERIOD.

WILL THIS ALSO BECOME A TRADITION FOR RUABON?





## Grove Park Theatre productions up to and including July 2019

Aladin and the Lamp (Current)

Entertaining Angels 14th - 23rd February

The God of Carnage 28th March - 6th April

The War of The Wands (Youth Theatre Show) 25th - 27th April

Sex Cells 30th May - 8th June

Calamity Jane 11th - 20th July

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**WREXHAM COUNCIL** has chosen NOT to introduce a three-weekly black bin collection this year after consulting with members of the public. The proposed annual charge of £30 to collect garden waste has also been 'dropped'.

However, these proposals could be revisited in the future as WCBC will still be forced to reduce costs further in the next couple of years. Further budget plans are due to be discussed by members of the executive board on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January. (This info. was taken from an on-line report by The Leader on 03.01.2019).

**Below is a copy of an email received from PC James Moul, that applies to all those who were affected by the spate of burglaries which took place in Ruabon last year. I have highlighted some of his words to emphasise that they are meant for everyone.**



As I discussed the other week with you over the phone I promised that I would provide you with an update in relation to the spate of burglaries that occurred in the Ruabon and surrounding areas that I have been investigating and which you have also been a victim yourself.

Whilst I cannot give you specific names as to who is involved at this time I can provide you with the following update:

As you are aware three males were arrested in relation to several of the burglaries I was investigating. No further action is being taken against the one that was arrested for your burglary due to there being insufficient evidence (i.e. No forensic evidence on the laptop receipt that we located)

Two further males were arrested; one of which has been charged with 4 burglary offences and will appear before Court on trial in February 2019 (He is currently on court bail conditions to remain out of the area). The second male was charged last week for 9 offences including five burglary offences and will appear for a pre-trial hearing next week (He is currently remanded in custody until that date). **These are all offences that occurred in Ruabon.**

**I hope this helps in providing an update for you and brings some respite and clarification for the community.** Whilst it is regrettable that I have not been able to obtain sufficient evidence to prove all of the offences including your burglary, I am satisfied that the right persons were identified for this particular series of burglary offences and hope that we get the convictions in court.

If there is anything else you wish to ask then please feel free to contact me and I will try to assist.  
Kind Regards

James

**James Moul**

Cwnstabl / Police Constable: PC 2968

Tîm Tasgu Gweithredol y Ddwyrain/ Eastern Operational Tasking Team

Cyfleuster Rheoli a Dalfa'r Dwyrain / Eastern Command and Custody Facility Ffordd Davy /Davy Way

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**'Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg a'r Saesneg – byddwn yn ymateb yn gyfartal i'r ddau ac yn ateb yn eich dewis iaith heb oedi.**

**We welcome correspondence in Welsh and English – we will respond equally to both and will reply in your language of choice without delay'.**

**LIVE MUSIC SHOWCASE**  
 Thursdays 1-2pm  
 Tŷ Pawb  
 Free Entry - Donations Welcome



Live Music Showcase in Ty Pawb is designed to promote local music talent from across the genres. Held every Thursday, these free to attend lunch time concerts offer a broad range of music ranging from the stage and screen and popular classics through to folk music and music from the jazz and blues arena.

<b>Date (2019)</b>	<b>Artists</b>	<b>Instrument(s)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
January 10th	Glyndŵr European Ensemble (Trio)	Piano, Guitar & Violin	NEW and will include the official launch of the Wrexham Music Festival (Easter 2019)
January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Owen Chamberlain Singer Songwriter	Guitar	NEW: Contemporary
January 24 <sup>th</sup>	Philip Chidell	Violin	Classical and Contemporary, including music from the West End and the Silver Screen
January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Stan Dickenson	Piano	NEW
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Coleg Cambria Students		NEW: Tim Jones
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rachael Marsh with Daniel Bradford	Vocal & Piano	NEW: A Special programme for Valentine's Day
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Belle Journée	Vocal & Guitar	NEW: Music with a distinctive Latin and French persuasion
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	Henry Soper	Piano	NEW
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Leslie	Guitar	NEW
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Parry (TBC)	Piano & Vocal	
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Bruce Davies	Piano	
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	KC Valentine	Vocal & Piano	NEW
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wandering Minds	Flute & Bassoon	NEW
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Ian Stopes & David Hopkins	Guitar & Woodwind	NEW: 'The Garden Suite'
April 15 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wrexham Music Festival	6 Classes of Musicianship	Up to 6 Classes Monday to Wednesday (2 per day). Final Thursday. Special contribution by a leading musician(s) on the Thursday.

Come along and enjoy the Live Music Showcase at Tŷ Pawb throughout the Winter months

'Live Music Showcase' at Tŷ Pawb is supported by Wrexham Symphony Orchestra, Calon FM, The Music Place, the Tŷ Pawb Markets, Food Court and Shops  
 Tŷ Pawb (Everybody's House) is a Markets, Arts and Culture hub at the heart of Wrexham.

Offering brilliant Market Stalls, fabulous food and great galleries there is something here for all the family. For information about Tŷ Pawb and the growing, exciting range of events and activities, visit [www.typawb.wales](http://www.typawb.wales) or the Tŷ Pawb Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/TyPawb>.

# **CHESTER SHREWSBURY RAIL**

## **PARTNERSHIP NEWS**

### **RUABON**

**January to February 2019**

## **THE NEW WALES & BORDERS RAIL FRANCHISE & TRANSPORT FOR WALES**

On October 14<sup>th</sup> 2018 Transport for Wales commenced operating the Wales & Borders franchise. New logos replaced the Arriva Trains Wales signs at stations and station will undergo deep cleaning and repainting in the new livery colours in the future.

Some of the improvements announced for this line include:

- The introduction of new trains from 2022 which will increase seating capacity and bicycle spaces.
- The weekday service between Shrewsbury and Chester will double in frequency from December 2022
- Sunday service frequency will double from December 2025
- Free wifi will be introduced at stations by December 2020
- Covered cycle storage at all stations
- Installation of ticket vending machines
- Investment at Chester Station to upgrade the concourse, interchange and car park
- Retail enhancement at Chester and Shrewsbury Stations
- Investment in Wrexham General station to improve the multimodal interchange
- Investment in Community Rail Partnerships expanding the current 5 to 12

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## NEC Birmingham - Just a short walk from Birmingham International Station

### January

12th - 13th Autosport International Public days

19th - 20th National Running Show

### February

19th - 24th Caravan, Camping and Motorhome Show

### March

1st - 3rd The National Wedding Show

**Sheila Dee; Community Rail Officer, Chester Shrewsbury Rail Partnership, has sent in this information which relates particularly to those using Ruabon Station.**

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## **RUABON LIBRARY**

**3 High St, Ruabon, Wrexham LL14 6NH**



### **Books AND Far, Far More**

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**THE EXHIBITION AREA AT RUABON LIBRARY IS FREE TO BOOK. IF YOU ARE AN ARTIST OR WISH TO PROMOTE A GROUP; AN INTEREST; OR JUST AN IDEA. PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF STAFF FOR MORE DETAILS DURING OPENING TIMES TO FIND OUT WHICH MONTHS ARE STILL AVAILABLE DURING 2019.**

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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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**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](mailto:ruabonlibrary@wrexham.gov.uk).**

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Ongoing book and DVD sales of discontinued material at RUABON library: - BIG PRICE REDUCTIONS: Hardbacks £1; Paperbacks 50p and DVDs 50p

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RUABON LIBRARY IS TO START A POETRY WALL.  
CUSTOMERS/VISITORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ADD THEIR FAVOURITE POET OR POEM, WHETHER IT BE THE WHOLE THING OR JUST THE TITLE; OR A POEM OF THEIR OWN CREATION. WE HOPE THIS WILL BE AN ONGOING PROJECT.

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Do you enjoy playing Scrabble? The Scrabble Club takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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The Reading Group (Ruabon Readers) usually meet on the first Wednesday of the month. The book for next month's reading in February is: "Essex Serpent" by Sarah Parry  
New members are always welcome but need to contact a member of staff to ensure that copies of the appropriate book are available.



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**Stori a Chan** This fun filled session is free of charge and is suitable for children under the age of 2.

On Mondays: The Welsh Group meets between 2-3pm.

Family board games between 3-4pm

On Tuesdays: Story Time at 2.15pm for 0-3yrs



Meets on a Thursday from 3-4pm. This activity is for 4-10yrs. 50p charge.

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The Knit and Natter Group meets regularly once a week on Fridays between 2.15-3.15pm and they always welcome new members.



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A computer 'Drop-in Service' is also available on a Friday between 4 and 5pm.

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in the month is a Family Communion Service at 9.30am.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:katherinetiltman@gmail.com) / [www.stmarysruabon.org.uk](http://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](http://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](mailto:chykenam@gmail.com).

## **RUABON AND DISTRICT CHURCH SERVICES**

At **St Mary's Church** on Tuesday 8th January at 10.30am Toddlers

On Wednesday 9th January at 11am the Funeral of Tom Pemberton

On Sunday 13th January at 8am Holy Communion and at 9.30am Holy Communion

At 1pm a Baptism

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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 Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am, Mr Tim Guy will lead the Service.

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At **Ruabon Congregational Church (The Chapel on the Hill)** on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January (Sorry no information)

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At **All Saints' Church, Penylan** on Sunday 13th January at 11am Holy Communion

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At **St John's Church, Rhosymedre** on Wednesday 9th January at 10am, a service of Morning Prayer

On Sunday 13th January at 11am Holy Communion

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### **NOTES FOR ANGLICAN CHURCHES:**

- THE NEXT MEETING OF 'TIME WELL SPENT' IS ON FRIDAY 18TH JANUARY IN ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL. COFFEE AND CHAT FROM 11AM, A COOKED LUNCH AND RELAX WITH FRIENDS. THE PLANNING MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY 14TH JANUARY AT 1PM.
- THE **FELLOWSHIP GROUP** MEETS IN ST MARY'S HALL ON WEDNESDAYS, 12.30-1.30PM. ALL ARE WELCOME TO EXPLORE A DIFFERENT PASSAGE FROM THE BIBLE EACH WEEK. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON 9TH JANUARY

- THE NEXT **FISH AND CHIPS AND BINGO** AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH WILL BE ON 12TH FEBRUARY (PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO MEETING IN JANUARY).
- THE NEXT **CELTIC SERVICE** IS ON 12TH FEBRUARY , 7PM IN PENYCAE (PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO SERVICE IN JANUARY)
- THE NEXT **PIZZA CHURCH** IN ST MARY'S WILL BE ON JANUARY 20TH AT 4PM. THIS IS AN INFORMAL SESSION OF WORSHIP AND DISCUSSION IN THE CHURCH HALL. ANY AND ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO COME AND EAT PIZZA AND TO EXPLORE THEIR FAITH.
- **THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** STARTS ON 18TH JANUARY. COME FOR A SOUP LUNCH FROM 12 O'CLOCK ON TUESDAY 22ND JANUARY OR JOIN US AT PIZZA CHURCH ON THE 20TH JANUARY TO TALK ABOUT CHRISTIAN UNITY.

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## **'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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### [War and Peace: Philip Jones Griffiths and the Power of Photography \(14/01/2019\)](#)

Philip Jones Griffiths was one of the most influential photographers of the late 20th century. Born and raised in north-east Wales, Griffiths was a lifelong pacifist and he sought to reveal the impact of war on combatants and civilians through his work. This exhibition, a century on from 'the war to end all wars' concentrates on his photographs of two extended conflicts: the Vietnam War in south-east Asia and the Troubles in Northern Ireland.

### [Live Music Showcase at Tŷ Pawb \(10/01/2019\)](#)

compositions. The ensemble is formed of 3 students and embrace piano, violin and guitar. We will also be launching the New Wrexham Music Festival which will take place in Ty Pawb between the 15th and 18th April 2019 Our opening Live Music Showcase concert of 2019 will feature a recital by an Ensemble of European students from Wrexham Glyndwr University who will perform a programme of classical, contemporary music and some own

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### [Things to do near to Ruabon:](#)

[Alexander O'Neal](#) Performing at William Aston Hall - 4.72 miles away.

On Friday, 19 Apr 2019 at 7:00 PM

#### [Showaddywaddy](#)

William Aston Hall - 4.72 miles away MUSICROCK & POP

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If you know of anyone who would like to receive the Ruabon News Letter each week by email (free of charge). Please contact: [bremner.millhouse@btinternet.com](mailto:bremner.millhouse@btinternet.com).

This News Letter is only as good as the items received for publication. Please keep sending in your news and thank you. Sybil Bremner.

