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Ysgol Rhiwabon



A simply stunning evening!

Following a very successful period settling our new students into Ysgol Rhiwabon, the school opened its doors to everyone as part of the Community Open Evening.

Having lots of things to celebrate as we begin this new academic year, some of our Year 7 students who have all been involved in our SWAN project, spoke to a packed main hall, about their transition from primary to secondary school and their experiences of settling in

This was recently recognised in our latest Estyn Inspection Report, March 2023 which stated,

“Transition arrangements to support pupils’ well-being are a strength of the school. Staff help pupils settle in well by being welcoming and getting to know them quickly. For example, pupils undertake a two-week cross-curricular project at the start of Year 7, during which they are taught in their form groups. For much of Year 7, they have a separate play area at break and lunch times. These approaches help pupils to feel safe and to integrate successfully into their new school.”

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Year 6 and 7 parents have also praised our work and they are really happy with the way we welcome our youngest members to our school.

This is what some have said,

“Keep on going with your fantastic ideas for making transition from primary school as smooth as possible.”

“My child has enjoyed everything during the induction project SWAN.”

She has got to know her classmates really well, making lots of new friends. She says the teachers are very kind and helpful. She has been made to feel really welcome.”

Mrs. Ferron-Evans, Headteacher:

‘The Open Evening is an important event for our local families as they visit Ysgol Rhiwabon and look to the future. It is also important for staff and students to be able to showcase our pride in the school. It was a very busy but successful evening’.

Here are some pictures from the evening –

PACKED MAIN HALL



Evie Blake (centre),
Ffion Lewis (far left)
Tommy Killick (right)
speak to the audience



Classroom displays



Classroom talks

Tŷ Pawb

Market St, Wrexham

Beginner Mandarin Lessons

Learn Mandarin and explore Chinese culture with the North East Wales Chinese Women's Association!

Free to take part! **All Welcome**, children must be accompanied by an adult.

Next Lesson is on Monday 9th October @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

Welcome to Wrexham – Leighton Cox: Cinematographer

Tuesday 10th

External event with Creatives of Wrexham Presentation and demonstration of camera work and lighting with Q&As on his cinematography/camera operating career for our Creatives of Wrexham group. Leighton has been nominated.

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We will be joined by Abbi Thomas from EFL Trust and Eleri Williams of Football
- Association Wales to share the results of the programme so far in Wales and their future plans.
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You can register for the next event now via [eventbrite](#)

The Healthy Weight, Healthy Wales team would like to thank all those who have attended our stakeholder events. We will be sending an evaluation survey to attendees to gather feedback on our events so far. The next Stakeholder Event will be on **Thursday 5th October at 12:00.**

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WREXHAM COUNCIL
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The new, temporary collection schedule (from 9th October) means your collections will be split in a three-week cycle where we will attempt to collect:

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- Your dry recycling and food waste one week
- No collection for one of the weeks

It's important to note that your collections won't necessarily be in this order e.g. your black bin collection may not take place in the first week, it may happen in the second or third week, which is why it's really important to always [check your bin day](#) first.

During this period, the best way to stay up to date on when your collections are taking place is to enter your postcode in the '[check your bin day section on our website](#)'.

Please share this info with your friends, family and neighbours who may not have seen our latest updates, or may need some support checking their revised collection dates.

Extra support to check updated collection dates is also available by calling the Contact Centre on 01978 298989 or emailing contact-us@wrexham.gov.uk or you can drop into [your local housing estate office](#).

We've had to make these changes as we continue to balance the resources we have across the collection rounds, and at present we can only offer a managed frequency of collections.

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Other things to note

- Winter weather may impact on our ability to deliver the proposed schedule
- Extra caddy liners and blue sacks can be picked up at [various locations across Wrexham](#)

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Strike impact update

As you may be aware, Unite the Union intend to continue the current period of industrial action until 24th November, 2023. With this in mind we have been working to come up with a plan for waste and recycling collections over the coming weeks.

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While we've outlined our intentions, we're working through a period of industrial action and we need to assess available resources on a daily basis – as well as balancing demand for other critical services (for

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Wellbeing Hub Celebrates 1st Anniversary



Twelve months ago, the Wellbeing Hub in Crown Buildings opened its doors to Wrexham residents, and now it's time to celebrate...so come down on 10th **October** and join in the special anniversary event!

Since it opened, people of all ages from across the county borough have visited the wellbeing hub, which focuses on physical health, as well as mental health and wellbeing, in a safe environment.

October 10's celebration gives you the chance to come and see what is on offer at the hub with stalls and activities on offer throughout the afternoon.

Between 1pm and 5pm there will be information stalls, taster sessions (boccia and chair aerobics), health checks, crafts and lots more. The Dynamic Singing Sensations Choir will also be there to perform at 4.30pm.

You don't need to book anything, you can just turn up; and everything is free!

So, come along and join us on 10th October, 1-5pm, to try out some of the things on offer at the wellbeing hub.

If you would like any more information on the activities available on the day, or about what the wellbeing hub can offer you, call 01978 298110. You can find more information about the Wellbeing Hub on [The Wellbeing Hub Webpage](#).

The project to redevelop Wrexham Museum into a Major New National Attraction has reached a significant



milestone.

Wrexham Museum and Courtyard Cafe will close to the public after Saturday 4th November.

Archives will close a day earlier. Friday 3rd November will be the final day they are open to the public.

This so work can begin to prepare the building for redeveloping into the [‘Museum of Two Halves’](#) – a new football museum for Wales, alongside a fully refurbished Wrexham Museum.

The new football museum will celebrate Welsh football, past and present, in all its diversity, from grassroots clubs to the national teams, as well as highlighting Wrexham’s historic achievements in the sport and celebrating the rich football heritage of the County Borough.

New galleries will be created to display the Wrexham Museum collections, which means an enhanced experience for visitors and a first-class, modern venue for discovering the fascinating and eventful story of our region of North East Wales.



The redevelopment work is due to be completed in 2026.

Although the museum building on Regent Street will be closed while the refurbishments are carried out, we are taking steps to ensure you'll still be able to access many of our museum services at alternative temporary locations in the city centre.

We'll be announcing further details on this over the coming weeks. See the Find out more section further down in this article for details on how to stay updated.

In the meantime, here's what we can share with you so far about our plans...

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Our museum team will be moving to a temporary base in the city centre whilst redevelopment work is being carried out.

As well as housing our staff, we also hope to be able to open this space to the public in future. Visitors will be able to come and discover more about the project and take part in workshops, family activities and more.

Archives

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The opening of the new search room will be announced shortly along with opening times and how to access the records.

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Our Archives team are very much looking forward to the move and working with our Library partners. Courtyard Cafe

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Featured October 10th @ 9:00 am - October 11th @ 11:30 pm

Llyfrgell Rhiwabon



Library

Be sy 'mlaen! What's on!

Dydd Llun/Mondays

Stori a Chaîn/Story and Rhyme 1.15

Clwb Teulu Lego/ Family Lego 3.30 - 4.30

Open – Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12 - 5, Thursday 9 – 1.15



The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer school holidays.

You can sign up at your local library, then all you have to do is read six library books of your choice over three visits to complete 'The Challenge'.

There are exclusive rewards to collect along the way, and it's FREE to take part! You can also keep track of your reading by visiting the Summer Reading Challenge website www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk where you can find new books to read, take part in competitions and mini challenges, and play games. Don't delay – join today!

Wrexham Library



Wireless Printing at our Libraries

Wrexham Libraries now offer a print from anywhere service. You can print .pdf files and Microsoft Office files from anywhere and collect at your local library. You need a current and valid library card and pin to use this service. If you do not have a membership card please join online at www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries . To print documents simply visit <https://wrexham.docprint.uk/> and follow the instruction on the screen.

You will have 48 hours to collect your prints from your chosen library. The printing fees are 20p per A4 page in black and white and 40p per A4 page in colour.

*Please note: we cannot print any other size through this system.

Friendship Groups

Friendship Groups are a great way to prevent isolation and loneliness and offer you a chance to find companionship, too. Friends can also increase your sense of belonging and purpose, boost your happiness and reduce your stress. Many of our libraries hold Friendship Groups and each library offers a different activity or arrangement every week. So if you feel you need company or just want to make new

friends why not come and join one of our groups. You will find them at Brynteg, Coedpoeth, Llay, Rhos and Wrexham Libraries. Please contact them directly for more information. Contact detail can be found

www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries

After School Lego Clubs



BorrowBox

Please note, from the 18th September 2023 new loan periods will apply to everything which you borrow from BorrowBox. You will still have access to all of the wonderful eBooks and eAudio Books which are available but you will only be able to borrow them for two weeks from the 18th September. If you haven't

finished with the books then please can you make sure you renew them? This is a hugely popular service and BorrowBox want to make sure as many people as possible can access their stock. To borrow e-book/e-audio books via this service please visit www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries and follow the online services link.

Rugby World Cup at Coedpoeth Library

We're excited about the Rugby World Cup and to show our support for Wales and the home nations we have a promotion of books at Coedpoeth library for you to borrow. There are books by Welsh players such as Jamie Roberts, Warren Gatland, Lee Byrne, Alun Wyn Jones as well as books by other international players such as Rob Burrow and Brian O'Driscoll. Included in the collection are narrative books on the game of rugby too, everything under one roof! Why not visit the library to see what's on offer? Are you looking for something for your children to do after school? If you've ever played with Lego, you know how much fun it can be to build and create. But did you know that Lego can also be an excellent tool for early childhood learning? With its endless possibilities for creativity and problem-solving, Lego is a great source of fun and learning. All of our libraries offer after school Lego Clubs, please contact your local *

library for more details. Contact details can be found on

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Cut off dates for Funded Early Education 2024

January intake - Children who have their 3rd birthday
on or before - 7th January 2024.

January intake - Online opens 1st September 2023
and closes 27th October 2023.

April intake - Children who have their 3rd birthday
on or before 7th April 2024.

April intake - Online opens 30th October 2023
and closes 29th December 2023.

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Community wellbeing choirs meet weekly near you! No experience

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*Mondays 7:30
singing starts at
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www.choirsforgood.org



John Short

Yesterday at 5:29 PM ·

The adventures of Mr Brodie

We loved Ambleside and had great fun in the park.

Last year I had great fun playing with the grandchildren from Australia!

I wish dad could run as fast with chewing sticks ! I have to keep waiting for him to catch up !

Let's see these balloons all over Facebook



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Share a pink balloon in honor of all the fighters!

GoodLivingGuide.com

People don't always need advice. Sometimes all they really need is an ear to listen and a heart that understands.



In memory of those who left us too soon. We remember you in the morning, in the night, when we look at the stars, a song, a place, a smile... You're always with us.



Thank you to Dianne Williams for
passing this on

Thank you once again, to all of you who have added to the News Letter this week.
Sybil (Bremner).