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YSGOL CEFN MAWR NEWS

A Special Goodbye - Leavers' Service 2026 We said a special farewell to our Year 6 Leavers. They performed their Leaving Service for the school, sang songs and presented gifts to staff who are retiring from Ysgol Cefn Mawr at the end of this term. Mrs Jane Simon (Level 4 Teaching Assistant) has worked at Ysgol Cefn Mawr for 42 years, teaching many of our parents, grandparents and most of Cefn during her time here. Miss Isabelle Hughes has been a Teaching Assistant for 18 years, and Mrs Vicky Goodwin has taught at the school for 18 years. We wish our colleagues a long and healthy retirement, and thank them for their hard work, commitment and dedication to the school. They will all be missed. Good luck to our Year 6 Leavers, it has been lovely to watch their confidence grow and progress with their learning this year. We hope they enjoy the next exciting journey in their learning. Best wishes to you all, it has been a pleasure working with you. Mrs Green

Nursery Class Our Nursery class have had such an exciting day during the last week of term. We had our teddy bears picnic in forest school and the children enjoyed having a Barney bear and some Pom bears with a drink. They loved showing their teddies to each other and playing in the forest and having teddy bear stories. Mrs Hughes came to visit us. They also enjoyed experiencing the canteen for the first time, they all sat beautifully and loved trying the goujons and chips. The children had beautiful table manners. We look forward to them joining us full time in September.

Year 6 Leavers' Beach Party

Evening We had a fantastic Year 6 Leavers' Beach Party at school during the last week of term. The children looked great in their beach party outfits. Thank you to Scott from Sound Attack Mobile Disco who provided the disco for the evening. We danced, had a photo booth, limbo competition and enjoyed sausage and chips from Josie's. A well deserved treat for our Year 6 class who have made so much



Progress during their time at Ysgol Cefn Mawr.

Futsal Teams We are extremely proud of our futsal teams who played their final games today against Ysgol Min Y Ddol on the 10th July. Congratulations to the boys who drew 2-2 in their game. The girls won their game once again beating Min Y Ddol 9-0 and remained at the top of the board throughout. They were unbeaten and did not concede a single goal throughout the entire tournament! Congratulations girls- they will be awarded with medals and a trophy at school. Many thanks to Andrew Ruscoe, Active Wrexham and Cefn Community Council for organising this event and to the parents for their support in the games and for transporting the children to the games.

International Week/Super Learning Week

We enjoyed our Super Learning Week with lots of fantastic learning taking place early in July. The classes produced some fantastic work, which they shared in a whole school assembly. The children made flags, completed artwork, played sports of the countries, completed food tasting, spoken different languages and sang songs and danced! A big thank you to all the families for making a wonderful effort in dressing up the children in the colours of the flags, we had some fantastic and creative outfits. A brilliant learning week.

We welcome your News, Photos and Information on Events for inclusion in the next edition of the newsletter.

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Offer small donations to our community for events and support

I can provide small donations to help Make local events extra special, such as oranges for a school sports day, a box of chocolates for a raffle prize and more



Visit local community groups

I can visit local groups and organisations regularly to build strong relationships and get to know the amazing people and schools in our community.



Engage and communicate with our community

I share information about what our store can do for the community through our noticeboard, local press and by talking with customers in store.



Offer guidance on in-store bookings

I can help charities and community groups book in-store space for collections, events and activities.

EDITORS COMMENTS

I would like to wish the amazing David Roden, Tesco's Community Champion a very Happy Birthday. I am sure many of you will have seen him out and about litter picking, helping with various groups both young and old, supporting Foodbank and other organisations to make a difference in our community. David always tries to help and I don't think I have seen him without his welcoming smile.



I hope you are all enjoying this summer, loving the warm weather and it's a delight to sit outside with a coffee listening to and watch the birds but my garden and some of my fruit trees have suffered!

Did you go to Ty Mawr for their 40th Anniversary Carnival? What a fantastic day, Sue Mills and her team along with Donna Parry and her team created a wonderful family event enjoyed by all who were there, thank you and I hope this can become a regular event. Our lovely #StayOnSide Litter Picking Group have been out and about keeping our community looking amazing, I think their slogan is great 'Dropping litter is for fools but clearing it up is really cool' thank you for all you do.

Don't forget that we love to celebrate significant Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries so please do get in touch with me on **07532 780007** or email me at:

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Hall Hire Information / Rates: **Main Hall:** £18.50/hour (non-residents & commercial) £14.50/hour (residents & voluntary groups) *Inc dressing rooms:* additional £10.50/hour. **Upper Floor Council Chamber:** £13.50/hour (non-residents & commercial) | £12.50/hour (residents & voluntary groups). **Lower Room / Warm Space:** £14.50/hour (non-residents & commercial) £13.30/hour (residents & voluntary groups) **Party Bookings:** Flat fee of £36 for 2.5 hours, followed by the standard hourly rate.

Discounts: Block bookings of six consecutive weeks or more receive a 10% discount. Please note, Sundays and Bank Holidays are charged at double rate. The Clerk can be contacted on **01978 821298** for any enquiries.

Our **12 Children's Play Parks:** are always open, we ask that you please take your rubbish home with you if there is no available bin, thank you.

Street lights: If you notice any street lights out please can you report them with the number off the lamp post to the Office on **01978 821298** thank you.

Wedding Anniversaries: If you know any couples in our community who will be celebrating their **Diamond 60th** or **Platinum 70th Anniversaries** please let us know on **01978 821298** or email: admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk

Birthdays: know someone who is going to celebrate their **90th** or **100th** birthdays? Please email admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk

Trefynant Cemetery: we respectfully ask when visiting the Cemetery to please dispose of your rubbish in the bins provided.

Community in Bloom Competition: the Community in Bloom Competition judging took place in **July** and the presentation will be in September—we are just sorting out a date with Derwen Collage. Please check our Facebook page for updates, call **01978 821298** or email admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk

Youth Club: Our Community Council funded Youth Club at the George Edwards Hall runs Mon & Wed from 6pm – 8pm during term time, with a range of activities including free WiFi. We're also host the *Young Carers Group* at this facility.

Cefn & Acrefair Playwork Project: our popular Community Council funded playwork project runs in Cefn, at Plas Kynaston Play Park, LL14 3AT on **Mondays from 2 to 4pm and Wednesdays from 11am - 1pm**

and in Acrefair, at Lancaster Terrace Play Ground, LL14 3HQ on **Fridays from 11am - 1pm** in all weathers for children 5+ for all school holidays bar Christmas and February.

Community Litter Picks: we do regular litter picks across the community from spring to early winter

Our litter pickers are local volunteers giving up their time to keep the area looking good. We are a litter pick hub and can loan equipment and keep you supplied with bags etc. our next Community Litter Pick is on our Facebook page Tel: **01978 821298** or email: admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk

Period Hub: Free sanitary products are available at the George Edwards Hall, in the reception area, please take what you need. Our **Remembrance Service** will be at the Cenotaph on **Sun 8th Nov** at 10.35am followed by a buffet in the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr.

CEFN COMMUNITY AGENT NEWS

Hello everyone, I hope you've all been keeping well. For those of you who don't already know me, my name is **Donna Thornley** and I am the **Community Agent for Cefn Community Council**, supporting residents aged **50 and over** throughout our community. My role is to help people live independently, improve their wellbeing and access the support they need. Whether you need help completing forms, advice about benefits, information on local services, or simply someone to point you in the right direction, I'm here to help. I can assist with Blue Badge applications, Bus Pass applications, Attendance Allowance enquiries, referrals for Occupational Therapy and Telecare, housing and wellbeing support, signposting to local organisations and services, and completing a wide range of forms and paperwork. If I can't help directly, I'll always do my best to put you in touch with the right organisation.

As well as providing one-to-one support, I organise a variety of activities throughout the year to help reduce loneliness, encourage people to stay active and bring our community together.

Our popular **Coffee Morning** takes place every **Wed from 9.30 am until 11.30 am at George Edwards Hall**. For just **£1**, you can enjoy tea or coffee and a freshly cooked bacon bap while spending time with friends old and new. It's a lovely opportunity to meet people, have a chat and enjoy a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Everyone aged 50 and over is very welcome.

I'm also pleased to be offering **Drop-in Session at Cefn Mawr Library every other Thurs the next ones are 18th & 24th Aug**. If you need help with forms, benefits, Blue Badges, bus passes or would like some advice or information, please call in. No appointment is necessary.

I'm excited to be launching our new **Boccia Sessions**, on **Weds from 1.00 pm until 2.30 pm at George Edwards Hall**. Boccia is a fun and inclusive game that can be enjoyed by people of all abilities. Following the first session, Boccia will take place on the **first Wednesday of every month**, and everyone is welcome to come along and have a go. We also continue to organise cinema afternoons, friendship groups, day trips and seasonal social events throughout the year, giving residents plenty of opportunities to get out, meet others and enjoy themselves.



Please keep an eye on the **Cefn Community Council Facebook page**, where I regularly post updates about upcoming events, activities and trips. You can also look out for posters displayed throughout **Cefn Mawr**, advertising what's coming up. I'd love to see you join us at one of our events! I'm currently organising a coach trip to **Bury Market** on **Saturday 31st October 2026**. These trips are always very popular and offer a fantastic day out with friends old and new. If you're interested in joining us, please get in touch as places are limited.

Whether you need support yourself, know a family member, friend or neighbour who may benefit from my service, or would simply like to become more involved in your community, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Sometimes a little advice or support can make a big difference. I look forward to meeting many more of you over the coming months.

Donna Thornley, Community Agent

Cefn Community Council

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YSGOL PENTRE CIW

Dosbarth 2 and 3 have really enjoyed their World Cup topic this term. They have looked at all the different countries that have taken part and found these on a world map, they have designed their own trophies and completed Maths challenges based around the missing football kit. Dosbarth 1 have enjoyed their explorers topic where they have explored the life cycles of different creatures. They even had real caterpillars and observed the process of them turning into butterflies before releasing them out in the wild.

Dosbarth 2 loved their residential trip to Bryntysilio in Llangollen where the children took part in gorge walking and scrambling up in the mountains. This was



followed by a sleepover back at school. This is a fantastic experience that the children love. The whole school have enjoyed

trips to Penrhyn Castle and St Asaph Cathedral. During both trips the children took part in different workshops giving them the opportunity to learn about the different buildings and the history behind them. We would like to wish our Year 6 all the best in their chosen secondary schools, you look great in your Leavers Hoodies, have the best time and stay in touch.



ERDDIG NORDIC WALKERS

Erddig Nordic Walkers (ENW) are very pleased to announce that they have been appointed official ambassadors for Wrexham's bid for UK City of Culture 2029. As well as building their profile in the local community, ENW along with other local community groups and businesses, will help raise Wrexham's standing in the campaign. Our Nordic walking group run weekly sessions for a fun way to get fit whilst enjoying the great outdoors. We walk in a variety of locations featuring some of the most beautiful scenery and surroundings in the Wrexham area. All of our walks are followed by a social; a great chance to meet with like-minded people and make new friends. We have a summer programme of special events which recently included a very successful away-day in Anglesey where the group visited Plas Newydd House followed by a Nordic walk through Newborough Forest. For more information on Erddig Nordic Walkers please visit www.erddignordicwalkers.co.uk where you will find details of our training sessions, programme of walks and how to contact us.

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Will my deceased son's inheritance from his Granny now go to his wife?

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A: This depends on the wording of the Will. You say everything was left to you and your three sons equally. It does not sound like any substitution gift was explicitly included i.e., who your late son's share would go to should he predecease.

Did your late son leave any children? If he did, s.33 of the Wills Act 1837 (assuming this provision was not expressly excluded or disapplied because of a 'contrary intention') implies that the gift to him would take effect as a gift to his children. If he left no children, the gift to him would fail and your mother's estate would be divided equally between you and your surviving two sons. Your late son's wife would not be entitled to his share of the estate in either case.

The above highlights the importance of the drafting of a will. If you are administering the estate yourself, you might consider instructing a solicitor to review the Will and advise of its effect to ensure you distribute the estate correctly.

As for your belief that your son was coerced into marriage, it sounds like this could have been a 'predatory marriage' but the options four years on are limited. A claim could be made under Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975 by, for example, any children he left with a maintenance need, but this must usually be issued within 6 months of a Grant of Probate/Letters of Administration being obtained in his estate.

This question has been answered by Harriet Roberts, a Solicitor with GHP Legal. If you would like to speak to someone about this or any other legal matter, please visit our website www.ghplegal.com and use the contact us form, or call us on: Wrexham 01978 291456, Llangollen 01978 860313, Oswestry 01691 659194

CEFN LIBRARY UPDATE

CEFN MAWR LIBRARY

Plas Kynaston Lane, Cefn Mawr, LL14 3AT

WHAT'S ON FOR CHILDREN

Lego Club every Wednesday from 3:15-4pm.

We also have new **board games** to play in the library as well as free **colouring sheets** for children and adults to choose from

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Summer Reading Challenge is in full swing and the theme this year is *Read to the Beat!* The goal of the reading challenge is to come to the library three times over the course of the summer holidays, and to read six books. Children will receive stickers and rewards for each of the three library visits, and they will be given a medal and a certificate on completion. In addition to this, children who complete the reading challenge will be entered into a prize draw for the possibility of winning one of our big prizes which are as follows: £30 *air hop* voucher. £20 *Tenpin* voucher. 1 box of LEGO. £35 *Xplore!* Voucher.

£20 *Banana Bens* voucher. £20 *Odeon* voucher

The closing date for the challenge is the **12th of September** so everyone needs to make sure they've completed their challenge by then to be in with a shot at the big prizes.

WHAT'S NEW FOR ADULTS

The library had another encouraging turn out for the **Wrexham archives** based in Wrexham library also have a vast amount of historical maps and other resources that you might find helping if looking at **local or family history**. Come along to **Connecting Cefn** every **Thursday** from 2-4pm. Make new friends and Donna, **Cefn's Community Agent** is here if you're over 50 and need any advice or support. **Citizens Advice** drop in service will continue on the **second and fourth Monday in the month** in Cefn Mawr Library. **Adult book club** continues on the **last Thursday of the month** from 2-3pm. Books are available from the library desk for those who would like to join.

What else do we do?

Come along anytime for a chat, read a book or newspaper. We provide photocopying, free WIFI, iPads, computers and laptops. Wireless printing is available: 20p per page Black & White, 40p per page for colour. You can also get blue recycling sacks and green caddy bags. We have a dedicated **quiet** corner and also **quiet library time** from 4:30-5:30 on Thursdays. Please return or **renew your books every three weeks** by phone, in person or online www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries and follow the online services link. Don't forget we have **audio** books on CD, **large print books** plus **Quick Reads** for those who haven't got a lot of time. With the **Borrowbox** app you can **read online**. Just download it to your phone or laptop. **Can't find the book you want?** Ask in the library, online or by email and we'll try and find it for you. You can collect or return items from any local Welsh library. Email:

Cefnmawr.library@wrexham.gov.uk

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Aug 1st & 2nd Children's mask making drop-in session
Aug 8th Myths & Legends stories from the shadows workshop 1.30 - 3pm ages 16+ book via hello@daisygreencollective.co.uk
Aug 9th - Crossing the Veil - spoken word workshop with Stephen Kenyon aimed at 14+ call & book.
Aug 15th & 16th Embroidery aimed at adults all day drop in sessions. **Aug 22nd & 23rd** Clay molding drop in sessions aimed at children. **Aug 29th & 30th** Myths & Legends - spoken word workshops 16+ please book.
Sept 5th & 6th Embroidery all day drop in
Sept 12th & 13th children's mask making drop-in
Sept 19th & 20th children's clay workshop drop in
Sept 26th spoken word workshop please book
Sept 27th *THIS TALK is £10 (£7 concessions)* Zoe from the Medicine Garden is presenting a talk on the powers and uses of Moss please book in advance. Throughout September we also are showing a beautiful collection using various printing techniques from Beyond the Boundaries Print Makers Group. **Life Drawing Classes** Our regular classes are Mon 10.30am - 12.30pm Sept 14th & 28th Oct 5th, 12th & 19th, every Mon in Nov and finish 7th Dec all drop-in sessions, £13 bring your own pads and medium - pencils, charcoal, paints, inks etc. we supply boards and tea/coffee and a chance to show your work should you wish to. All professional models used. All levels welcome. **Nook Arts** - Pottery - Charlie and her potters wheels, book on Facebook [nookartslangollen](https://www.facebook.com/nookartslangollen) a 1hr taster class and make your own pot. Plus advanced sessions for those with a little more experience. All exhibitions, Sat and Sun, 10am-4pm. Check our website (www.dorygallery.com) and Instagram (@the_dory_gallery) for details, exhibitions and gallery events. Entry is free for everyone, dogs are welcome inside and kids can have fun with our Art Trail quiz! Email: thedorygallery@gmail.com

FRONCYSYLLTE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The centre hosts a wide range of activities, some of which are for the general public and some are for more restricted groups. If you would like to know more about regular events such as Tai Chi, Yoga, Fron Darby & Joan, the Dee Valley Christian Fellowship, St David's Church and our Community Café then do look on our Froncysyllte Community Centre Facebook page or contact our secretary **Keith Sinclair** who will put you in touch with the relevant group that use the centre, via keithsinclairLRCC@gmail.com

FRONCYSYLLTE DARBY & JOAN CLUB

Froncysyllte Community Centre,
1 Gate Rd, Llangollen LL20 7RH.
We meet every Tuesday at 2pm in the Community Centre. New members are very welcome at the, where we have bingo and light refreshments, our subs are collected towards the cost of trips and our Christmas party.



TREVOR BASIN VISITOR CENTRE & PONTYCYSLLTE AQUEDUCT

Summer **Let's Play** events every Wednesday in August, from 11am - 2pm. Outdoor games and toys will outside the visitor - giant Jenga, Hoops, Connect 4 and much more. Children must be supervised by a parent/guardian at all time. Do you have some spare time and possibly thinking about volunteering? We currently have 3 volunteering opportunities available for you. *Litter Ranger*, *Aqueduct Ranger* and *Towpath Ranger*... to find more just pop into the visitor centre or visit our website www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/volunteer

The Visitor Centre is open daily from 10am - 4pm until the end of October, then Friday to Sunday 10am - 3pm until Christmas. To keep update to with the goings on at the visitor centre check out Facebook and Instagram pages, just search Trevor Basin Visitor Centre

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GARTH & TREVOR OVER 50S GROUP

Trevor Community Centre,
Heol Penderyst, Trevor,
LL20 7UD



Our Over 50s Group, meet between 2-4pm every 2nd and 4th Wednesday in Trevor Community Centre (all welcome) and have maintained a varied 'programme' that has included, Crafts, joining in the Spring Party in George Edwards Hall, Carpet Bowls, guided by Moira and Steve, a Beetle Drive, Flower Arranging and a couple of Bingo Sessions.

Grace Parry gave us an informative, interesting talk based on her childhood experiences of being evacuated from Guernsey in 1940. And we always leave time to enjoy chats, laughs and Tina's delicious cakes.

Feel free to give this a try if you think this sounds like something you might enjoy.

WOOLLIES FUNDRAISING GROUP

The Woollies charity fundraising group meet on Tuesdays from 2-4pm at the Telford Inn, Trevor. New comers welcome to join us with knitting, crochet, embroidery etc.

There is a fundraising table always in situ at The Telford in aid of Jackson's Animal Rescue.

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Froncysyllte Workers Institute: Remembering and
Sharing Event **Tuesday 18th August | 10am - 1pm**



Join us for a small special community heritage open day as part of the UNESCO-supported Fron Workers Institute Pilot. We will be sharing, recording and celebrating the rich mix of heritage crafts, skills and the minerals that were extracted from the landscape.

Location: Fron Workers Institute (also known as the old youth club): Drop in with your photos and memories. Share joyful stories about what the building and community mean to you and your family. We will have a scanner on hand to scan your photos and memories to support the making of a collective montage later in the year. Family activity with artist Leo Bruno Todd will guide people to "Tracing Memory Through Stones," encouraging everyone, kids and adults alike, to connect with the minerals and heritage from this land. **Why Join?** This event is part of the wider WHS Placemaking Project, led by Glandwr Cymru and Wrexham Council, to revive local cultural memory, crafts, and community spirit. The collected stories and photos will be shared locally and on the UNESCO website, helping protect and celebrate our living heritage. **Important Info:** Access inside Fron Workers Institute is limited so small numbers can enter at one time. Heritage boards will be outside the building telling some local history stories for people with less mobility. Please use parking at the Community Centre to respect local residents. The Toastie Boat will be moored near the Fron Institute on that day for refreshments, toastie and cake needs.



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**CHIRK GARDENERS
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Chirk Gardeners' Club have been raising money for Nightingale House in memory of a dear member Brian Oakley who sadly died last year. Chris Burgoyne a trustee of Nightingale House gave a short talk on the work they do and then Anne Jones presented a cheque for £520 to Jenny Sykes a local fundraiser for the Hospice.



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ST COLLEN'S NEWS & EVENTS

Community Breakfast: Saturdays from 9-11am. Free. Donations welcome. **Community Lunch:** Fridays from 12 -1.30pm. Free. Donations welcome. **Harmonising the Soul: A journey through Gregorian Chant:** Discover the ethereal realm of Gregorian chant in this immersive workshop. Experience the beauty and serenity of this timeless music as we journey back in time to uncover these sacred sounds. Learn and sing the very chants once sung by the monks at Valle Crucis Abbey, Llangollen. Whether you are a seasoned singer or not, all are welcome! Last Friday of every month, 7pm. Contact Fr Lee to book your place.

E: frleetaylor@hotmail.co.uk

Pimm's & Hymns: Enjoy a relaxed summer afternoon of fellowship, favourite hymns, and a glass of Pimm's at St Collen's Church on *Saturday 8th August at 4pm*. Come and sing, socialise, and celebrate the joys of the season in good company. Everyone is warmly welcome.

Sonic Sanctuary - Monthly Sound Baths: A sound bath is a time of restful meditation and prayer, using calming sounds to help quiet the mind and focus the heart. It is about creating a space to listen for God's still, small voice (1 Kings 19:12) and reconnect with Him in a world full of noise. For further information, visit our Facebook page: *Sonic Sanctuary*.

Town Civic Service: A special service that will bring together members of the local community, civic leaders, faith representatives, and public servants to give thanks for those who serve our town/city and to pray for the continued wellbeing of our Llangollen community. *Sunday 9th August, 11am* at St Collen's Church.

Celtic Eucharist: On the first Sunday of every month (9.30am) at St Tysilio's Church, Llantysilio. Step into a service rooted in the ancient traditions of the early Celtic Christians! Come and find peace in the Celtic way.

Healing Space: *Wednesdays at 2pm - 3pm*. At St Collen's Community Hall. We are pleased that Deborah Catterall will continue this. Please email her beforehand to check the session is going ahead: deborah.catterall24@stpaddarns.ac.uk

LLANGOLLEN TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

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E: Llangollen.TouristInformation@denbighshire.gov.uk

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Clwb Darllen Cymraeg Llangollen: first Mon, bi-monthly. **Talking Point** Thursdays from 10am to 12:30pm. **Llangollen library reading group** first Friday of the month, 7pm. **Job Club** third

Wed of every month, 2pm to 4pm, includes recruitment and skills workshop with Working Denbighshire free help with CV writing, job searches and applications online training and personal statements. **CAB** alternate weeks on **Thurs** from 10-1pm, 2-3pm. Drop-in service no need to book. Next CAB sessions **13th Aug** and **27th Aug**.

Hearing Aid Support every **2nd Fri** monthly from 10am to 12 noon. Friendly help and advice about your hearing aid, trained volunteers will clean and re tube aids and give out batteries.

SUMMER FUN AT THE LIBRARY

Friday Aug 7th Make a mini from 11am-12 noon.

Friday Aug 21st Make a rain stick 11am-12 noon.

Friday Aug 28th Make a 3D pop-up Animal Card 11am-12 noon. Free, booking is essential please contact us to book your place on **01978 869600** or email

llangollenlibrary@denbighshire.gov.uk

Friday Aug 14th Toddler Ryme Time 10-10.30am, no need to book. Why not sign up for our Summer Reading Challenge? Marvellous Makers, which is the title of this year's challenge and is designed to celebrate creativity. This can range from dancing to drawing and junk modelling to music, celebrating endless ways that children are creative. The Summer Reading Challenge aims to keep children reading over the summer holidays with events, activities and brilliant books available to access for free from Denbighshire's eight libraries and provides a free, fun way to keep young minds active. To sign up just visit the library
Opening times **Closed Mon & Tues. Open Wed 2-5pm Thurs & Fri 10am-1pm & 2pm-5pm and Sat 9:30am-12:30pm**

LLANGOLLEN REPAIR CAFÉ

Llangollen Memorial Hall, Market Street, Llangollen

LL20 8PS Email: **llanrepaircafe@outlook.com**

We meet on the 3rd Sat of the month with tea, biscuits and a lot of friendly faces. Bring us your broken stuff! Donations welcome. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @llanrepaircafe

BACK TO FRONT STOMA SUPPORT

St Collen's Community Hall, Regent Street, Llangollen LL20 8HL

Our Stoma support group for Llangollen and District, meets on the 1st Monday of the month from 2-4 pm. Talking about and sharing concerns, experiences and finding out about the latest products.

With guest speakers on a range of subjects, a warm welcome awaits. For more information please contact Moira on **07484 772772**

LLANGOLLEN PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

We meet at The Hand Hotel, Bridge Street, LL20 8PL the 3rd Wed monthly at 2pm, come along to a meeting, have a chat and a cuppa. Please contact Stuart on **contact@llangollenpcsg.co.uk**

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News Update



Welcome to the Twenty sixth edition of Crane News.

Have you been enjoying the hot weather? Sometimes, being in the sun too long can be problematic. We should all learn how to identify the signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke and what needs to be done.

Heat exhaustion is not a medical emergency if it is identified early and rectified by the giving of fluids and cooling people down. Signs can include tiredness, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, cramps, high temperature, being thirsty.

You can cool people down by taking them out of direct sun into shade, remove all unnecessary clothing, spray or sponge them down with cool water and giving them water or better still an isotonic sports drink. If they do not feel better after about 30 minutes seek medical attention.

Heat stroke is a medical emergency and needs immediate medical help. Signs can include a very high temperature, fast breathing, fast heart rate, confusion, fitting, loss of consciousness. If you find someone in this condition, please dial 999.

You can find further information on the NHS website. You can also get advice by ringing 111. Always remember that your local pharmacy is also a reliable source of good advice.

Always take care in the sun, use sun hats and sun protection creams etc. Try to limit your time in the sun during the hours of 11am to 3pm. Make sure young babies and children are well protected and supervised

HEARING AID SUPPORT

Did you know that the *Wrexham Maelor Audiology Department* have monthly Drop In sessions at the following places.

Llangollen Library, Castle Street, Llangollen LL20 8NU on the **2nd Friday** of every month between 10am and 12 noon, find us upstairs in the Tourist Information building on Castle Street and there is a lift to the library on the first floor.

Corwen Family Practice, Green Lane, Corwen LL21 0DN on the **3rd Friday** of every month from 10am to 12 noon.

Chirk Community Hospital, St John's St, Chirk LL14 5LN on the **2nd Wednesday** of every month from 10am to 12 noon. We clean and re tube aids and give out batteries. No appointment needed.

CHIRK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WOUND CARE CLINIC

The Outpatients Wound Care Clinics are available for dressing changes after surgery or injury, removal of sutures, leg ulceration etc. and for those who may have previously been referred to a District Nursing Clinic. This is NOT a minor injuries unit. They also carry out Doppler Assessments.

For appointments call 03000 850003 press 2 when instructed then ask for the Outpatient Wound Care Clinic you will then be given an Appointment.

Please do not cold call or attend either the Wound Care Clinic of the District Nurse Clinic without an appointment as you will not be seen. Thank you.

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1st TREVOR BEAVERS & CUBS

Before I share the Groups News, I strongly feel I must sincerely thank Groundwork UK and Tesco Cefn Mawr Stronger Starts Team for awarding our group the second prize for our project (Blue Token event) earlier in the year. This is enabling the whole group to go to a fantastic Camp site in Hawarden during September once again thank you.

BEAVERS AGE 6-8 yrs

They have been taking advantage of the weather for completing outside activities such as Building dams, litter picking, scavenger hunt, and safe fire making. They have earned some badges including exploring, science, and musician. There was an event to celebrate 40 years of Beaver Scouts, there was lots to do, with other groups attending, loads of fun den building and a bouncy castle, to name just a few.

CUBS AGE 8-10 1/2

They have been busy with problem solving tasks and skills challenge All cubs had 4 tasks to complete at home, all done wonderfully. They had tent building at the local field, kite making and flying them at Ty Mawr. Plus a sleepover and night hike. Thanks to *Acrefair Pizza and Kebab* for supplying, water and lollipops to go with their chips that night, greatly appreciated, Four Cubs were presented with their Chief Scout Silver Award, which is the highest award a Cub can achieve, this entails a lot of hard work. *Well done you guys.*

SCOUTS AGE 10 1/2- 14 yrs.

Scouts have completed their Survival skills badge entailing shelter building in the woods, campfire skills, with knife skills. They began by soap carving and now have graduated onto balsa wood. They have built a shed for storage and built their own morse code oscillators and learnt how to communicate with them. A very busy term, so much more can be done when the sun shines. Of course on our last night at the end of term, we had our famous fun and water fight. As usual it was the adults who were the wettest I do believe. If anyone would like to join us as a volunteer in any capacity, or if your child (boy or girl) would be interested in becoming part of the group, please contact me Elaine, Group Leader Volunteer on **07939 476208**.

1st LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES

Brownies have this term have had the chance to catch up on Skill Builders and Unit Meeting activities to help the girls achieve theme awards and the Brownie Bronze, Silver and Gold award.

Two girls are ready to complete their final challenge for their gold award after the summer holidays.

Some brownies have been busy completing interest badges at home, they have achieved, Kindness badge, Dancing badge, Local history badge, Space badge and Aviation badge.

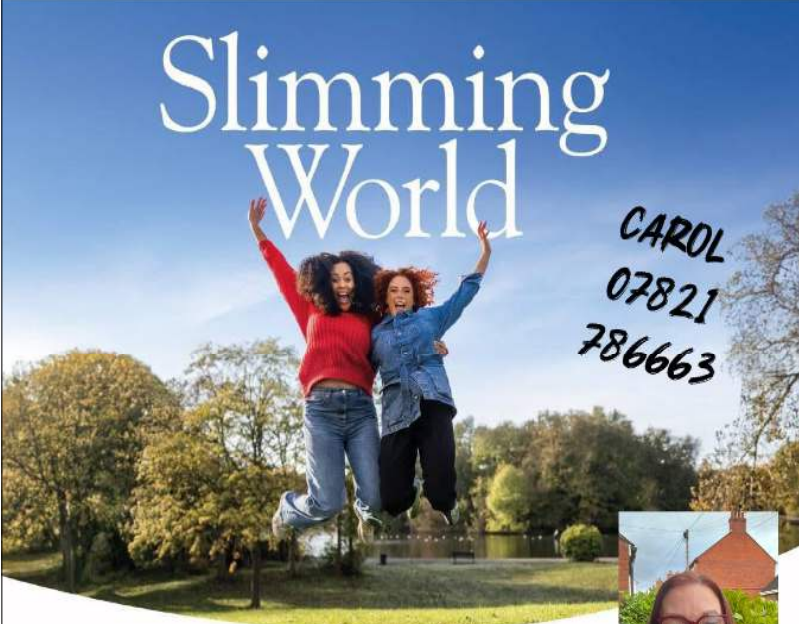
We have one girl who has earned her brownie silver award this term.

We finished the term off with a brownie party, dancing, party games, food and a treat of sweets once they had decorated their bags.

Next term we have two brownies who are planning a meeting as part of their gold award.

We will be joining other units in the division for a funday at chirk castle along with many more fun and exciting activities.

Is your daughter between 7-10 years old, want to meet new friends, have fun and learn new skills then why not give brownies ago. We currently has spaces available for girls aged 7-10years. We meet every Wednesday in term time If you would be interested in your daughter joining, please registered on the following link www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus Or contact Alison Fenn on **07872924888**



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POOL TIMETABLE Our term time and school holiday timetables are available on our website and Facebook page.

FAMILY FUN SWIM Every 2nd Fri of the month 6:30pm – 8pm. Free for Welsh residents (proof of address may be requested)

FREE SWIMMING FOR UNDER 16S Every Wed 5pm – 6pm. Every Mon 3.30pm – 4.30pm (school holidays only)

FREE SWIMMING FOR OVER 60'S Every Thurs 9am – 10am Proof of address may be requested.

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CAFÉ AND SOFT PLAY OPENING TIMES (term time) Mon: Closed (except for adult lunch club). Tues: 10am – 3pm & 3:30pm – 6:30pm. Wed: 11:30am – 3pm & 3:30pm – 6:30pm. Thurs: 10am – 3pm & 3:30pm – 6:30pm. Fri: Closed. Sat: 11am – 3:30pm. Sun: 10:30am – 3:30pm

CAFÉ AND SOFT PLAY OPENING TIMES (school holidays) Mon to Sat: 11am – 3:30pm Sun: 10:30am – 3:30pm

50+ LUNCHEON CLUB Every Mon (term time only) two course meal with tea and coffee only £4.25, booking required, call 01978 821 600.

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COMMUNITY HUB This brings together expert advice and support from a wide variety of organisations and charities, including **Citizen's Advice** every Thurs from 9.30 - 12 noon. **Wrexham Foodbank** every Thurs 10.30 - 12 noon, voucher required. Adult Learning Wales, Communities for Work, Hafren Dyfrdwy and Coleg Cambria to name just a few! Interested in using our Hub room? Request a brochure via email. Tel: 01978 821 600

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mentoring for people living in Wrexham aged 20 and over, and currently unemployed. Covering essential skills, like digital skills, CV writing, education and training advice, interview skills, as well as motivation and confidence. They can also advise you on volunteering and work placement opportunities to help you gain employment. Every Mon 9am – 1pm (term time only). Registration required via website

E: CFW@wrexham.gov.uk

Website: wrexham.gov.uk/service/wrexham-communities-work

COLEG CAMBRIA Offer FREE introduction to computer skills Tues 1pm – 3pm, & English and Maths skills Weds 9am – 2:30pm (term time only) Booking is direct with Coleg Cambria, Tel: 0300 30 30 007 E:

Skillsforadults@cambria.ac.uk

Website: www.cambria.ac.uk

ADULT LEARNING WALES Offer FREE clay modeling every Wed 9am – 12 noon, sewing skills every Tues 9am – 12 noon and sewing skills every Thurs 6pm – 9pm. Booking is direct with Adult Learning Wales. Tel: 0330 05 80 845

E: Vikki.Roberts@adultlearning.wales

Website: www.adultlearning.wales

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E: natalie@focusonthelight.co.uk

BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND PRIVATE HIRE

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E: info@plas-madoc.com for more information.

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VOLUNTEERS OPPORTUNITIES are available from assisting in a Hub session or in reception or the café or cleaning. E: community.hub@plas-madoc.com for more details.

HISTORY HAS BEEN MADE!

Huge congratulations to Ysgol Cefn Mawr, who have become the **first-ever NEWFA Girls' Primary Schools League Champions!**

After 10 weeks of fantastic competition, the girls made history by lifting the inaugural trophy, showing incredible teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout. Cefn Community Council is proud to have supported this historic league alongside **Active Wrexham, NEWFA, Wrexham Futsal Youth Development Sector** and the participating schools. This achievement is about so much more than winning a trophy – it's about creating opportunities, inspiring young players and helping the girls' game continue to grow. Huge congratulations to all the players, teachers, coaches and families. You have made your school and community incredibly proud! **Well done, Ysgol Cefn Mawr – history makers!**

WHAT'S ON LOCAL SEASONAL EVENTS

Sat 7th & Sun 8th August The Legendary Faery Festival at Llangollen Pavillion.

Sat 8th Aug and every Sat during summer holidays **Llangollen Methodist Church** Princess Street, Open Days. Cream teas & refreshments. Displays

Sat 8th August Summer Festival at the Cefn Club from 1pm

Thurs 13th August Fairies & Wizards from 12 – 4pm at Ty Mawr Country Park, Cefn Mawr fancy dress, stalls, fun & games.

Sat 15th August Legless Bingo at the Cefn Club, from 7pm

Tues 18th August Remembering Froncysyllte Workers Institute: Memory Sharing and Storytelling Event from 10am - 1pm at the Fron Workers Institute.

Sat 22nd August Family Fun Day & Duck Race at Canolfan Ceriog, Glyn Ceriog from 12—5pm

Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd August Oswestry Balloon Carnival at Cae Glas Park, Welsh Walls, Oswestry starts 11am.

Wed 9th September Day by Day - The Doris Day Songbook at The Stwit, Rhos start 2pm doors open 1pm.

Sat 12th September The Alan Fletcher Band on tour in the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr at 7pm.

Tickets and information from alanfletchermusic.com

Fri 18th Sept Fun Ceilidh at Llangollen Town Hall doors open 6.30pm, dancing from 7 - 10pm tickets Adults £10, school age children £5 from Porters Llangollen cash or on the door cash or card.

Sat 19th September Come & Sing Day at Coleg Cambria, Grove Park Road, Wrexham 10.30am & 3.30pm tickets <https://www.rmvc.co.uk/concert-dates/come-and-sing-day>

Fri 2nd to Sun 4th October Phantasmagoria Film Festival at the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr

Sat 3rd October Pinked Floyd at the Stwit, Rhos starts 7.45, doors open 7pm

Sat 3rd & Sun 4th October Johns Boys 10 Year Anniversary Concert at the William Aston Hall, Wrexham starts 7.30pm

Sat Oct 31st Friends of Ruabon Pumpkin Trail Starting from Park Gates Ruabon at 1pm - 4pm

Sun 8th November Cefn Community Council Remembrance Service at the Cenotaph at 10.30am followed by a buffet in the George Edwards Hall,

Wed 11th – Sat 14th November Murder on the Nile by Llangollen's Twenty Club

Sat 14th November Maelor ABC Boxing Tournament in the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr 2pm, doors open 12 noon.

Sun 20th September Craft, Hobbies and Pastimes Event at Llangollen Pavillion free entry 10am - 4pm

Frid 27th November Cefn Community Council Christmas Fair from 5pm - 7pm in the George Edwards Hall.

Wed 2nd December Puccini's Madama Butterfly at the Pavillion, Llangollen from 7 - 10pm

Sat 5th December Cefn Community Council Over 50s Community Party from 2 - 6pm at the George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr

Fri 4th - Thurs 31st December Jack and The Beanstalk at The Stwit, Rhos

KIDDIES WORLD ACREFAIR

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We are fully settled into our renovated building and the whole of Kiddies World is now fully operational from The Activity Centre building at Ysgol Acrefair. We offer a baby/toddler group on Mondays 9am-10.45am based in the school activity centre. Sessions are £2 per child/adult 50p for any additional children or adults. Includes a snack and a drink for both the children and the adults. See our Facebook page for the latest updates.



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In 2014 when we first started work on the Holly Bush Inn after completing the conveyance in 2013 our Beer garden was a mess. This area was a primary goal to clean up and make it presentable at the very centre of our community. We want to make our village as nice as possible for everyone.



We have applied for Planning Permission P-2026-0387 to maintain and improve the unadopted pathway between the Holly Bush Inn and Waterloo Lane. This pathway once joined the pathway that ran between Cefn Druids Football Ground and Plas Kynaston Lane before the construction of Tesco and Oxford Street. Since then, it has been displaced and now joins the Geroge Edwards Hall Car Park for access to Waterloo Lane. You may have seen us working on the Ebenezer and saving the sandstone, for reuse on the pathway upgrade where genuine Cefn Sandstone steps and walling will be put in place to serve our community once again.

Our primary objective is to continue to improve the centre of our community for the benefit of all.



The pathway will make an ideal picturesque route linking the Ebenezer as the intended Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site Visitor Centre to the Cefn Mawr Museum in the basement of the GEH, George Edwards Hall via the Holly Bush Inn Beer Garden and Cartographic Museum in the Holly Bush Inn. This hopefully will make a very good tourist attraction and so attract visitors to the aqueduct, into our village centre as well. This is just another practical example of Sustainable Tourism Development. By including our village centre and the whole of the Cefn & Central



Section of the Pontcysyllte WHS, we seek to help improve the economic viability of our area and community. That means more jobs locally for local people in small businesses run by our own local people. This is a self-help program that favors local enterprise rather than large multinational businesses and retail chains that continually extract money for their shareholders whoever they may be, and reinvestment elsewhere. Local sandstone set aside by local people ready for reuse in the construction of the sandstone retaining wall at no cost to our community. If you would like to comment on our planning application, please visit WCBC Planning Portal where you can leave your comments on P-2026-0387.

Regards Dave Metcalfe and all at the Holly.

CHURCH NEWS



DEE VALLEY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

it's hot isn't it? There is no denying that! As I write this message we are in our third week of the heatwave, and it looks as if it is taking us into a forth week! Already there have been hill fires around us, our gardens are burnt to a crisp and there is now a mention of a hosepipe ban! We need water to bring us the comfort we all expect in our everyday lives for practical reasons and for our health. However, we ALL take it for granted! Did you know that we can live without food for 30 to 70 days – so long as there is adequate water! But we can only live without water for 3 to 5 days at the most? Our bodies contain and need between 50% and 60% of water.

The bible speaks about water over 700 times and that is because God created it. It speaks of oceans and rivers, storms, wells, and baptisms. So why is it so important? Visualise the sea, lakes, rivers, waterfalls, even a running tap. They are all active, energetic, joyful, leaping with life. The bible tells us that God himself is the river of life, crystal clear, active and running from His throne to those who will receive Him. Providing life, love, peace and joy through Jesus. Refreshing a stale life into a new one. And all of this He wants us to have because He loves us deeply. An adult member of our group has asked to be baptised. This represents putting to death all that has caused pain, trouble, guilt and anxiety. Why?

Because she has discovered Jesus has made such a huge difference to her life, setting her free from all of that and replacing it with a new beginning and the start of a much happier life. We are all thrilled to bits and will share that day and that exhilarating joy with her. Would you be interested in knowing more? Then please come along and join us at Café Church, usually on the 1st Sunday of the month at 10.15am, with cakes and cuppas running freely or our Social Evenings 11 days later at 7pm with a free buffet, **but for the month of August ONLY Café Church will be held on the 9th and our Social Eve on the 20th of August at those same times.** We will be back to normal dates and times in September! Come and meet some new friends and bring yours along with you, We would love to have you join us at Froncysyllte Community Centre. Or ring Colin or Rowena on **01978 824785** for more information

CATHOLIC CHURCHS

St. Richard Gwyn Parish Chirk, Llangollen & Ruabon **Parish Priest:** 3 The Villas, New High Street, Ruabon, LL14 6NW Office : **01978 821 568** Website: **www.strichardgwynparish.co.uk**

Email: **priestruabon@rcdwxm.org.uk**

Weekend Mass times: Saturday 6pm Holy Cross, Llangollen, Sunday 9am Sacred Heart, Chirk & 11am St Mary's, Ruabon **Weekday Masses:** Tuesdays, Sacred Heart, Chirk - 10am, Wednesdays, Holy Cross Llangollen – 10am Thursdays, St. Mary's Ruabon – 10am. **Holy Day of Obligation:** Please see website all information is on the Bulletin. **Adoration and Rosary** on 1st and 3rd Friday each month. **Confessions:** each first Saturday St Mary's Ruabon, 11-12 and after each weekday Mass. **Our Website** has our weekly bulletin and any updates.

LLANGOLLEN METHODIST CHURCH

Princess Street, Llangollen LL20 8RD

Tel: **07927 144822** Our regular **Sunday Services** are held at 11am followed by refreshments where we can chat and encourage each other in fellowship.

On **Saturdays** during school summer holidays we have a series of **Church Open Days**. Come and look around this iconic building, see displays about the life of the church and enjoy a **Strawberry Cream Tea**, doors open 10:30am until 4pm. All proceeds go towards the restoration of the Church Spire. Please note, **Sept 11th Harvest Festival** service. **Oct 18th** will be a **Café Style worship** at the Memorial Hall at 11am. **Fri 18th Sept** we have a **Ceilidh** at Llangollen Town Hall from 7-10pm. On **Sat 31st Oct** we will be holding a special **Thanks Giving service** for those who we know who have died. **Jammy Church** is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month in The Memorial Hall on Market Street. This starts at 10.30am with BREAKFAST! yum, yum. Young families are welcome to join us worshipping and having fun. Dates are, **Aug 9th Sept 13th Oct 11th** **After School Drop-in** is for young people of High school age. It's a friendly place to hang out, play games (or not) enjoy refreshments and just spend time together between school and home..... no charge. This is every Thurs during term time in the Memorial Hall on Market Street Llangollen 3 - 5pm.

A **Coffee Morning** is held every Tues 10-12 noon in the Memorial Hall Market Street. We are currently fundraising for essential repairs to our iconic church.

Bible Study is held fortnightly in the Memorial Hall.

Please check Riverside News on Llangollen Methodist Church website for details.

LLANGOLLEN GROUP OF ANGLICAN CHURCHES ST COLLENS PARISH CHURCH

Weekly **Mass and Communion on Sundays 11am**, When there is a **5th Sunday** there will be a united service for all four churches. *Church Opening Times for Prayer and Visiting:* Sunday: 10am - 12 noon. Monday to Saturday 10am - 3pm.

Celtic Eucharist: The first Sunday monthly 9.30am at St Tysilio's Church, Llantysilio. Step into a service rooted in the ancient traditions of the early Celtic Christians! Come, find peace in the Celtic way.

TREVOR PARISH CHURCH Trevor LL20 7TL **Sunday Morning Prayer** every Sunday at 9.30 am. We have Holy Communion on the 4th Sunday of each month. When there is a 5th Sunday we have a combined service in St Collen's Llangollen at 11am.

PENLLYN CHAPEL, LLANGOLLEN

Brook Street, Llangollen LL20 8LS.

Sundays 10am for 10:30am come and join us, we are a united church family, where you will experience a church full of freedom and love. We also hold a Healing Prayer meeting on the first Saturday of the month between 10-12pm T: **07957 728473** E: **church@citychurchllangollen.org.uk**

WYNNSTAY RUABON METHODIST CHURCH

Henry St, Ruabon LL14 6NS

Open for **Sunday** worship at 10:30 am.

Aug 9th Karen Turlay Rose. Aug 16th Naomi Squire

Aug 23rd Rev Marian Jones, Holy Communion.

Aug 30th Karen Turlay Rose.

LOCAL CHOIRS

THE FRON MALE VOICE CHOIR

Have more fun, see new places, make new friends, and do something different! Pop along and give it a try. We rehearse at Ysgol Rhiwabon LL14 6BT. Mon and Thurs, 7 - 9pm, new and experienced singers always welcome. Visitors welcome to pop in and listen to our rehearsals. **Please note Summer rehearsals are Thursdays only from 7pm to 9pm**, visitors welcome. Email: secretary@fronchoir.com

RAISE THE ROOF COMMUNITY CHOIR

Raise the Roof Community Choir are set to go out to sing in the community. If you wish to hear us sing, please contact our music director Nova Evans on **07884 539156** or email: nova.4song@gmail.com We will be back in September on Thursdays at St John's Church, Rhosymedre at 7pm. You would be very welcome to join us!

THE JAMES LAMBERT SINGERS

The choir ended the season with a great social musical evening in Brymbo and a performance at the Llangollen International Eisteddfod. We are now on our summer break. We'll be back in September ready for our autumn and Christmas concerts. If you need us, Phone or Text **07774 850677**

RHOS MALE VOICE CHOIR

We are currently recruiting new members to this award winning Choir. Our team will help and encourage you - come to a practice night and see what you think, either at the Stiwt in Rhos on Mondays, or Capel Bethel, Chapel Street, Ponciau on Thursdays, both at 7 pm. Don't worry about having little or no previous experience - it's not where you start, it's where you finish. Ring John on **07878 517349** if you would like to know more.

CHURCH NEWS Continued

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CIW RUABON

First Sunday 9.30am All Age Eucharist.

Third Sunday 9.30am Morning Worship.

Second & Fourth Sunday 9.30am Holy Eucharist

Fifth Sunday See Noticeboard. For Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals by arrangement please contact **Reverend Pam Hallam** at pamhallam@cinw.org.uk

October 11th Ecumenical Harvest Service at 4pm followed by **Harvest Supper** at 5pm.

Ruabon Church Bell Ringers

Our open bell practice night is on Thurs from 7 to 8.30pm, creating joyful melodies that resonate.

Contact the Tower Captain, Gordon Richardson on ruaboncbr@hotmail.com

ST. JOHN'S CIW RHOSYMEDRE

Church Street, Rhosymedre LL14 3EA.

Our regular **Sunday Services** are at 11am. **Bible study** every Wednesday at 1.30pm. St John's is open to any school or group who wishes to visit. We also have an upstairs room for people/groups to use for meetings or get togethers. Please contact **Beulah Griffiths Church Warden** on **07539 229228**.

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YSGOL ACREFAIR NEWS

A Fun-Filled End to the School Year! What a fantastic end to another busy and exciting school year we have had! We have made the most of the sunshine, enjoying lots of outdoor learning, play and activities. Our Sports Days were a real highlight, with children having lots of fun, showing fantastic sportsmanship and cheering each other on. We were also delighted to take part in the *Community Olympics*. It was a brilliant event and we are incredibly grateful to all of the organisers who worked so hard to make it such a memorable experience for our children. Our Year 6 children have enjoyed their swimming sessions throughout the summer term. A huge thank you to all of the swimming teachers for their continued support and encouragement – we have absolutely loved our sessions with you!

We were also delighted to welcome *Wales in Bloom* to school for our end-of-year assessment and to help us set targets for the year ahead. Our Eco Team were particularly excited to show them around and share all the wonderful work that takes place in our school. There have been lots of exciting trips and visits too, including trips to **Chirk Castle**, **Manchester Imperial War Museum** and **Explore in Wrexham**, as well as our Year 6 leavers' trips. These experiences have created lots of wonderful memories for our pupils.



left, the year 6's put on an amazing leaver's service to the school and their family and enjoyed signing shirts and getting some lovely photos on their last day.

Year 6 enjoyed an exciting last week in primary education with a visit to Ninja Warrior in Liverpool. The trip was reward for their amazing efforts throughout the year and was organised through their fundraising enterprise projects. The children enjoyed tackling the famous obstacles, bouncing on the inflatables and a buffet. Also, during the last week, children enjoyed a leavers buffet in school. They sat together for the last time in the school dining hall and enjoyed an assortment of their favourite treats. Before they



As we reach the end of the school year, we would like to thank our whole school community for all of your support throughout the year. We are incredibly proud of everything our children have achieved and are excited for all that the new school year will bring. For now, we hope everyone has a wonderful, safe and happy summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another fantastic year!

COMMUNITY WELLNESS SESSIONS IN CEFN MAWR

Everyone is welcome to come along to our next Community Wellness session, which takes place in Cefn Mawr on **Thursday, August 6**. We will be at the George Edwards Hall, between 11am and 3pm. Lunch is always provided.

After that, our next session in Cefn is planned for **Thursday, September 3**. Updates about future sessions, and any other information about our offers, can be found on our Facebook page. Community Wellness is founded by GPs and wellness professionals, in collaboration with communities. For us to make this a continued success, and to ensure our sessions continue without any gaps in funding, we are actively seeking funding partners, organisations, and supporters. Please email hello@community-wellness.co.uk if you can help. Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Crowdfunder page already at <https://community-wellness.co.uk/>



RHOSYMEDRE CHURCHYARD VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank everyone for their support and donations following the loss of our equipment. We are still maintaining the churchyard and it sometimes feels like a losing battle with the weeds as the grass has stopped growing but the weeds are enjoying the sun! We welcome more help as there is still lots to do, not just stimming and mowing but also clearing anthills, graves and path ways. You can message us through our Facebook page and we will post updates of when we are working here.



TY MAWR CELEBRATES ITS 40TH BIRTHDAY



A big thanks to everyone that came and supported Ty Mawr's 40th birthday. What a brilliant day. Thanks to Donna Parry for all your help you have been amazing also Barry for making the trailer a reality and organising the Tractor and Bike display Michelle Williams, Jamie Williams for all your

help, a big shout out to Liam for bringing the sports equipment. Thanks also to Kev Griff, Steve Waring and Dave Mills for making it possible to have steps and a stage. Ewan the farmer for letting us use his trailer and generator. David from Tesco for providing bottles of water for the volunteers and staff. All the bands, stall holders, staff and volunteers. The dance

troupes for dancing their socks off. The mayor for crowning our lovely carnival queen Dani Fleet and all the lovely princess and prince. Thanks Rich Lewis for taking the photos. The Cefn knows how to come together Thank you all again from us all at Ty Mawr, we also raised a really significant amount for the animals. You have all been amazing and we would love to do it again (with your help)!

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT

LLANGOLLEN FOOD SHARE

Castle Street end of Market Street Car Park.
Ensuring no-one goes hungry whilst saving surplus food. If you have queries call **07538 894449** contact us on Facebook or email:

steph@llangollenfoodshare.org.uk

Wellbeing Wednesday at Llangollen Youth Club every week 11am – 2pm homemade refreshments and light lunch, **food parcels for those in need 1-2pm**, also support available each week for mental and emotional health and wellbeing, fuel poverty, housing and homelessness etc.

Community Fridge, our free surplus food stall is usually open **Mon & Thurs 9-11am** in **Market Street car park** and other days when stock is available.

Donations can be made at any session or at our Community Donation Point for Llangollen Food Share in Aldi and Co-op. For **Crisis or Emergency support**: we can help out of hours: to talk in confidence, message us on Facebook or text **07538 894 449**. If you know of anyone struggling, please share details for them to contact us.. *We share supermarket surplus to stop food waste, check our Facebook page and website for updates. Food Share is for everyone. If you can support us by donating food or money, please get in touch for with us.*

WREXHAM FOODBANK PLAS MADOC

Provide emergency food parcels and toiletries to those in financial crisis. You need a referral from someone that helps you with other support such as your housing officer, social worker, health visitor, Community Agent, School or Citizen's Advice Wrexham. You can also call **Help Through Hardship** free on **0808 208 2138**. We have 8 centres for parcel collection, and someone can collect on your behalf, or you can request a home delivery. **Plas Madoc Leisure Centre** foodbank is open **Thurs 10.30-12 noon**. Donations welcome on Tues and Fri between 10am -3pm at **Unit 3 Edwards Enterprise Park, Rhosddu Industrial Estate, Wrexham LL11 4YZ**. To volunteer please call **07538 547971** or email **ifo@wrexham.foodbank.org.uk** Find us on Facebook and Twitter, visit **www.wrexham.foodbank.org.uk**

RHOS COMMUNITY CAFE

42 Market Street, Rhos. LL14 2HY The Community Cafe is a registered charity serving the local area The Café is also a community hub and wellbeing centre, hosting projects to address food poverty, isolation and social exclusion. Projects include mental health awareness, friendship groups, mindfulness and meditation, international groups, bereavement, spiritual support and healing sessions. If you or anyone you know is struggling, please reach out to us for support from our Food Bank Project. Tel: **01978 447477**
Email: **rhoscommunitycafe@gmail.com**

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

contact us for a free **Safe and Well** check, Please call **0800 169 1234** or visit **http://ow.ly/4zS950GUlfr**

WOODYS LODGE VETERAN'S DROP-IN

At the Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham LL12 7AG from 10am -12 noon on the last **Saturday** of the month. Email **Graham Jones: graham@woodyslodge.org**

COMMUNITY FOOD, FRIENDSHIP & COMPANY

In partnership with Llangollen Foodshare at *St Collen's Hall, Regent Street, Llangollen LL20 8HL*
Tel: **01978 860231**

Friday Free Community Lunch from 12 noon to 1.30pm.
Saturday free Community Breakfast 9am to 11am, donations welcome. No need to book, just turn up, We look forward to seeing you.

FRIENDS OF PARKIES The charity is based in **St Martins** next to Stan's Supermarket, offering support for those diagnosed with Parkinsons, their carers and families, we meet every **2nd Wednesday** of the month. Call **Elaine** on **07760 685447** and see our Facebook page **friends of parkies**.

NEW PATHWAYS Provide specialist support to adults, children and young people who have been affected by rape, sexual violence or abuse. email **enquiries@newpathways.org.uk** call **01685 379310** or visit our webpage **www.newpathways.org.uk**

VETERANS' GATEWAY Information and support for veterans and families call 24/7 for help **0808 8021212**, text **81212** or email **support@veteransgateway.org.uk**

WCBC BENEFITS ADVICE / WELFARE RIGHTS

Telephone advice for all Wrexham residents on Social Security entitlements including Universal Credit, Jobseekers Allowance and disability benefits. Call **01978 298255 9.30am - 12pm, Monday to Friday**.

WREXHAM FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE

Here to help and support with a range of family issues or concerns. Call **01978 292094** or email: **fis@wrexham.gov.uk** to check our Facebook page for updates resources, events, activities and courses.

WREXHAM KIDNEY CAFÉ at *The Wellbeing Hub, 31 Chester Street, Wrexham LL13 8BG* meets **1st Wednesday** of the month from **10am - 12 noon**, supporting people, families and carers living with kidney disease. To book call **0333 2001285** or email: **support@pophamkidneysupport.org.uk** or visit **www.pophamkidneysupport.org.uk**

B.O.T.S. BUMS ON TUMS We are a Stoma support group called B.O.T.S meeting on the **2nd Saturday** of the month at *Hope Church, Oswestry SY11 2EP* in Room 1 from 11am-1pm. At our meeting we socialise with other ostomates, offer the opportunity to talk and share, find out about the latest products from suppliers and have guest speakers on a variety of subjects. New members welcome, please contact Emily on **07972 519165** email: **emily.hackworthy@live.co.uk**

CITIZENS ADVICE WREXHAM

Free independent impartial, confidential advice on **Thursdays** at *Plas Madoc Leisure Centre 9.30am to 12 noon*, weekly. They are also at *Cefn Mawr Library* the second and forth **Monday** monthly Need advice before then? Call **0300 330 1178** between 10am and 2pm or leave your name, number and brief description of your issue on the general advice line answer machine **01978 364639** and they will call you back.

WCBC STREET LIGHTING REPORTING

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ACAS 0300 123 1100
Age UK: 0800 169 6565
Alzheimer's Society 0300 222 11 22
CALL Community Advice & Listening Line
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CEFN AREA DEFIBRILLATOR

24/7 LOCATIONS

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Henry Williams & Son (Roads) Ltd, Unit 1, Park Road Industrial Estate, Rhosymedre LL14 3AX. *On the railing to the right of their yard gate.*

Ty Mawr Country Park, Cae Gwilym Lane, Cefn LL14 3PE.

Hinds Shop, Bro Gwilym, Cefn LL14 3PA

CRNCA Activity Centre, Bro Gwilym, Cefn LL14 3PA
On wall to left of front door.

The George Edwards Hall, Well St, Cefn LL14 3AE
On the wall to left by front door planter.

The Eagles, Llangollen Road, Acrefair LL14 3RP
On the wall facing King Street near pedestrian crossing.

Plas Madoc Housing Office, 50 Peris, Acrefair LL14 3LF All equipment is accessible 24/7 and is regularly checked.

RUABON LIBRARY

High Street, Ruabon, LL14 6NH

Mondays:

Croeso i Siarad Cymraeg/Welcome to Speak Welsh: 1.45pm – 2.45pm. Giving Welsh learners and speakers the opportunity to socialise, use and practice their Welsh language skills in a fun and informal way. *Family Lego Club:* 3.15pm - 4.15pm. Suitable for ages 4+. Come and get creative every Monday (except bank holidays).

1st Wednesday of the month Wrexham Family Information Service (WFIS) drop-ins: 2.30-4.30pm. *Adult Jigsaw Swap:* 2-3pm **2nd Wednesday of the month:** *Adult Card Crafts:* 2.15pm. An informal and varied card craft session. £1 per session.

3rd Wednesday of the month: *Silent Reading Group* 12 noon – 1pm. Bring your book to read and then chat about your book at the end of the session if you want to. Refreshments provided.

Last Wednesday of the month: *Ruabon Readers Reading Group:* 2pm-3pm. Friendly and informal book group. Books provided and new members very welcome. **Last Wednesday of the month:**

Children's Crafts 3.15-4.15pm.

Thursdays:

Quiet Hour: 9.15am-10.15am. Autism/dementia friendly. We have designated quiet spaces available at all times for anyone who may need it, and we are a designated Safe Place. *Children's Jigsaws Drop-in:* 10:30 – 12:30pm

1st Thursday of the month: *Community Agent Drop-ins:* 11am-12pm. *Friendship Group:* 12-1pm

Fridays:

Knit & Natter: 2pm-4pm. Whether you knit, crochet, sew or just natter, all welcome. *Children's Colouring Club:* 3.15-4.15pm.

Summer Reading Challenge

The summer reading challenge is back for children until 12th September. Visit Ruabon Library for more details.

Summer Break

Monday: Family Lego Club. 1-4pm

Wednesday: Free Drop-in Kids Craft. 2-4pm

Thursday: Family Jigsaws. 10:30-12:30pm

Friday: Boardgames and colouring fun. 1-4pm

Wednesday 19 August – Giraffes Can't Dance with Jacqui Blore. Story and Songs at Ruabon Library, 1pm. Open to all.

Closed Bank Holiday Monday

October Half Term

Monday: Family Lego Club. 1-4pm

Wednesday: Free Drop-in Kids Craft. 2-4pm

Thursday: Family Jigsaws. 10:30-12:30pm

Friday: Boardgames and colouring fun 1-4pm

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welcoming children's library where you are always welcome to come and share a story or two. We have free Wi-Fi available, as well as free computer and iPad access. Printing facilities, including Wi-Fi printing and photocopying is available with a small charge. We have lots of space to study if you wish to bring your own device. We have monthly, varied exhibitions in our exhibition space (available during library opening hours) ranging from local art exhibitions from local art groups and artists, to historic artefacts and crafts. The space is free to use. New exhibitors are always welcome, just contact the library for availability and details. We also have a community jigsaw, come along and see if you can complete it! You can pick up your blue recycling bags and green caddy sacks from us, and there is a free Contact Wrexham (access) telephone available during library opening hours on **01978 292090**

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FRIENDS OF RUABON WHAT'S ON

Monthly Meetings Wed Aug 5th 7pm The Wynnstay Arms Ruabon Sat Sept 5th 10am Bridge End Inn Ruabon. Wed Oct 7th 7pm The Wynnstay Arms Ruabon. **Community Litter Picks** Sat Sept 19th 10am Ruabon Village Hall Sat Oct 17th 10am Ruabon Village Hall. **Sat Oct 31st Pumpkin Trail** starting from Park Gates Ruabon at 1pm - 4pm Everyone Welcome. For more details, please email info@friendsofruabon.co.uk and follow us on Facebook.



RUABON UKULELE OVER 50S GROUP

We continue meeting every other Monday from 1-2.30pm at Ruabon Bowling Club. Next meetings are **3rd, 17th and 31st Aug**, all welcome.

Welcome to Clwyd Family History Society

The Clwyd Family History Society was founded in 1980 to encourage the study of genealogy and family history in North-East Wales, and to provide a forum for people who are interested in these subjects to meet, and to help each other. It now has approximately 500 members worldwide.

Unit C15, Community Enterprise Centre, Well Street, Cefn Mawr, Wrexham LL14 3YD. Answerphone: **01978 822305**. Website: www.clwydfhs.org.uk



YSGOL RHIWABON NEWS

The Ysgol Rhiwabon Year 11 Personal Profile Ceremony was held on June, followed by the Prom celebrations at The Rossett Hall Hotel. On a picture-perfect, sunny evening, the Year 11 students met at the school, with just over 250 parents and family members waiting to greet them and take photographs in the school grounds. There were some marvelous vehicles on show bringing students to the ceremony from a range of cars to motorbikes, numerous supercars and a commercial lorry and a beautifully decorated horse. The students then travelled to Rossett Hall Hotel for their Prom Party where they danced the night away in high



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spirits, matched by the weather. It was an amazing evening!

As part of their study of Castles this term, Year 7 visited Conwy Castle. It was a very enjoyable day where students got the chance to climb the towers and walk the castle walls built by Edward I as part of his 'ring of castles' in 1289.

The visit gave students an insight into the defensive features of medieval castles, and how life would have existed inside it's mighty walls.

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Open: Mon & Fri: 10am-6pm, Tues & Wed: 10am-5pm

The library is closed on Thursdays

The following regular events/activities take place each week/month:-

Mondays

10:30 –12pm Art Group

10:30-12pm Community Agent drop-in session

2-3pm Conversational Welsh

Tuesdays

2-4pm Knit and Natter. 10-11am Quiet Time.

10-3pm Communities for Work Digital Tuesdays

Wednesdays

10-3pm Citizens Advice drop in for residents of the communities of Penrycae, Ruabon South, Ponciau, Pant, Johnstown and Rhos only. No appointment necessary.

2:30-3:30pm Reading Group (held on the first Wednesday of every month)

3-4pm Lego Club – suitable for 4+ with Duplo Lego available for younger children.

2-4pm Wrexham Family Information Service drop in (held on the last Wednesday of every month)

Fridays

10:30-11am Bilingual Story & Rhyme Time

1:30-3pm Art Group

2-3pm Friendship Group

11-12pm Reminisce Group (held on the third Friday of every month)

This year is The National Year of Reading when stories in all their forms will be celebrated so why not find a comfy spot, turn the page and enjoy reading as part of your everyday lives. Rhos Library has books to suit to suit everybody.

On *Wednesday 5th August* Jacqui Blore, the Storyteller will be visiting Rhos Library for a story and songs session which is suitable for all age groups age groups. The theme of the session will be based on the well-known children's story 'Giraffes can't dance.'

The theme of this year's *Summer Reading Challenge* is **Read to the Beat**. Children aged 4-11 years old can join. So why not pop along to Rhos Library and join. Your child will need to visit the library 3 times over the summer holidays, taking out 2 books each time. There are stickers and prizes to collect and if you complete the challenge your name will be entered into a prize draw including vouchers for Air Hop, Tenpin, Xplore!, Banana Bens and the Odeon and a box of Lego.

Like doing jigsaws? Rhos Library now has a jigsaw table, why not come along and see if you can add a few pieces to the puzzle or stay a bit longer and complete it. If you like colouring we have a selection of Mindfulness colouring sheets and coloured pencils available. We provide a photocopying service – 20p per sheet A4 Black & White and 40p colour A3 Black

& White 40p per sheet and 60p A3 colour. We have desktops, laptops and ipads. Wireless printing is also available.

We have a dedicated quiet area which is available on Tuesdays between 10-11am Our library has easy access for wheelchair and mobility scooter users and we also have a disabled toilet. We have a wide range of both English and Welsh fiction and non-fiction books, audio books and children's books. Items are on loan for three weeks and can be renewed either by phone, email, online www.wrexham.gov.uk/libraries or in person. Items can be returned to any of the County Borough's libraries. You can also pick up blue recycling sacks and green caddy bags from the library.

RHOS COMMUNITY AGENT

Working for Rhos Community Council I help residents, over the age of 50, living in Rhos, Johnstown and Ponciau by signposting to groups, clubs and activities, helping completing forms and signposting to services which support local residents. This is a free service.

The first Wednesday of each month 11am to 12.30pm there is a free *Boccia Session*, followed by a cuppa and biscuits at Johnstown Community Centre. Boccia is an accessible, low-impact target game similar to bowls but played seated. It is designed so that players with varying degrees of mobility, strength and dexterity can participate on an equal footing. Everyone is welcome.

There will be a *Community Film and Afternoon Tea* on 16th September 2026 at Stiwt Theatre. The film will be *Mothers Pride*, starring Martin Clunes and James Buckley. Starting at 12.30pm and finishes at 3pm. Tickets £10 and available only from myself or Sue Hallard. Please get in touch with me for more information.

"News and Brews" is held in Johnstown bowls club on Bryn Avenue 12pm – 2pm on the first and second Thursdays of the month. It is a free event with hot drinks and a snack provided, followed by a speaker. Everyone is welcome.

Reminisce Group is held at Rhos library on the third Friday of each month 11am-12pm and supports those living with dementia and their carers. We plan day trips and social activities for our attendees. On August 21st we will be joined by Wrexham museum who want to trail a new activity with the group.

Lunch Club is held on the second Monday of every month at different locations each month.

Bingo is held monthly on the last Wednesday of the month at Hafod Colliery Club in Rhos 1pm to 2.30pm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for information on local support available via:

Phone **07851 798630**

Email: rhoscommunityagent@gmail.com

Facebook: Rhos, Johnstown, Ponciau community agent



Thank you, **Michelle Wynne**



YSGOL MIN Y DDOL NEWS

We are incredibly proud of all our Ysgol Min y Ddôl pupils who took part in the local Futsal League over the past few months.

The boys were crowned champions in the inaugural competition, demonstrating fantastic teamwork, skill and determination throughout. The girls also performed exceptionally well and represented the school with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Congratulations to everyone who took part – you should all be very proud of your achievements! Ysgol Min y Ddôl is delighted to have once again been recognised for its commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility. We are extremely proud to have successfully renewed our Platinum Eco-Schools Award for the seventh consecutive time – a fantastic achievement that reflects the dedication and hard work of our pupils, staff and wider school community. This prestigious award acknowledges our ongoing efforts to promote environmental awareness and encourage positive action towards creating a more sustainable future.



As another school year comes to an end, we would like to say a heartfelt farewell to our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to begin the next exciting chapter of their school journey. They have been wonderful pupils and have made a valuable contribution to Ysgol Min y Ddôl's school life through their hard work, enthusiasm and kindness. We thank them for all they have given to our school community and for the many memories they have helped create. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and wish them every success and happiness as they move on to secondary school. We would like to thank all of our parents for their support throughout the year. We wish all of our pupils and parents a safe and happy summer holidays.

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CELEBRATING WELSH LANGUAGE IMMERSION IN CYLCH MIN Y DDÔL

Staff and children of Cylch Meithrin Min y Ddôl have been celebrating their recent success in reaching 'Doti Level' in the Mudiad Meithrin Croesi'r Bont Awards. Croesi'r Bont is a national Welsh language immersion scheme which aims to introduce Welsh language patterns to young children across Wales through song, story and a range of engaging activities in the Cylch. The scheme helps staff to introduce the Welsh language to children who are hearing and learning Welsh for the first time as well as developing the Welsh language skills of children from Welsh speaking homes. The Cylch follows the scheme enthusiastically and the staff work closely with their Croesi'r Bont Officer Emma Lloyd-Jones. The awards were introduced in September 2024 with Doti, Dewin and Balalŵn levels which are equivalent to bronze, silver and gold standard. The Cylch was nominated for 'Doti level' as a result of their hard work and effort in implementing the programme and making it an integral part of daily life in the Cylch. They deserve to celebrate their success and we congratulate the staff and children on their achievement. Onwards to Dewin level next! Samantha Holman Cylch Min y Ddôl Leader, Natalie Jones and Stacey Cameron Assistants at Cylch Min y Ddôl.



CHIRK GARDENERS CLUB 40TH ANNIVERSARY



Chirk Gardeners' Club held their 40th Anniversary celebration at Caffi Wylfa, Chirk in July. At this event Anne Jones and Vera

Butler were presented with flowers by the Club Chair Dawn Gough for being the longest serving members of the club and for all their hard work and commitment as committee members.



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MONDAYS Homegrown, 51 Peris LL14 3LF

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TUESDAYS Afternoon Bingo at Plas Telford at 2pm - 4pm, £3 for 6 games £1 raffle. Refreshments available at half time.

WEDNESDAY Breakfast and brews at Homegrown, LL14 3US - 9am - 12pm.

THURSDAYS Homegrown (51 Peris) from 9am -3pm Please note, we have Internet and phone credit for anyone who may need to use it, we can only do food bank -referrals for Plas Madoc collection between 10am and 11.45am (collection times are 10.30am - 12pm) Drop-in - where we can help with food bank referrals, baby basics, daf, and support for other services. Form filling support between 1 - 3pm - please contact Katie.St.John@avow.org for more information.

FRIDAYS 'Thank Me It's Friday' 10am-12pm at Homegrown group for adults that focuses on supporting wellbeing in a relaxing, calming environment. Bingo every 1st Friday of the month - eyes down 6.30pm at Plas Telford. £3 per book, inbox WAPM for more details and to book your tickets. Children welcome accompanied by an adult.

Make a difference in your community!

Our groups are growing, and we need volunteers like you to help us keep doing great work. Supporting our groups is a rewarding way to connect with others and give back. Flexible hours and training are provided. Come and join our friendly team. For more information, please call **07394 465113** email Katie.St.John@avow.org, or check our website - <https://www.weareplasmadoc.co.uk/>

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Keep an eye on We are Plas Madoc Facebook for more details. To learn more about the group head over to www.weareplasmadoc.co.uk[http://](http://www.weareplasmadoc.co.ukhttp://)

LITTLE SUNFLOWERS

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Are you worried about finances or getting into rent arrears? Please do contact our office for advice and support, let see how we can help. If you have **URGENT** Out of Hours housing repairs contact housing on **01978 298993**.

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YSGOL RHOSYMEDRE NEWS

Year 6 have been making the very most of their final term at primary school, creating memories that they will cherish for years to come. They have enjoyed a fantastic range of experiences, including visits to Wrexham University, an action-packed day of Laser Tag at Llandegla, and a special after-hours 'sleepover' in school. One of the highlights was taking a trip down memory lane, revisiting their old classrooms, sharing happy memories and playing some of the games they fondly remembered from their younger years at Rhosymedre. They also showed tremendous community spirit by raising money for school funds through their fun filled 'Soak the Teacher' event, which was enjoyed by learners and staff alike! We are incredibly proud of each and every one of our Year 6 learners. It has been a privilege to watch them grow from eager young children into the confident, kind, resilient and mature young people they are today. They have made a wonderful contribution to our school community and have created lasting memories during their time with us. While it is never easy to say goodbye, we know they are ready for the exciting challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. As they take this important next step and begin their journey into secondary school, we wish them every success, happiness and confidence for the future. We have no doubt that they will continue to shine and make us proud. *Good luck, Year 6 – remember that you will always be a valued part of the Rhosymedre family, and we look forward to hearing about all of your future achievements.* We also say a heartfelt farewell and offer our deepest thanks to our much-loved and highly



school community we are so proud of today. Her commitment to ensuring every child reached their potential, combined with her warmth, compassion and wonderful sense of humour, has left a lasting impact on staff, pupils and families alike.

While we will miss her leadership, friendship and daily presence more than words can express, we are incredibly grateful for everything she has given to our school. Mrs Edwards leaves behind a remarkable legacy of excellence, inspiration and care that will continue to be felt for many years to come. As she begins this exciting new chapter, we wish her every happiness, good health and countless memorable adventures in her well-earned retirement.

Thank you, Mrs Edwards, for your years of service, dedication and unwavering commitment to our school community. You will always hold a special place in the heart of Rhosymedre. Enjoy your retirement - you truly deserve it.

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respected Headteacher, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards. She joined Rhosymedre as Deputy Headteacher in September 1999 before becoming Headteacher in September 2011. Over the past 30 years, she has devoted her career to serving the children and families of Wrexham, making an immeasurable difference to the lives of countless learners. Through her unwavering passion, dedication, kindness and care, Mrs. Edwards has helped shape Rhosymedre into the

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GLYNTRAIAN COMMUNITY AGENT Davina Davies supports all over 50s with free advice and Information to improve your quality of life, health and wellbeing in **Dolywern, Pontfadog, Llechrydau,**

Llwynmawr parts of **Castle Mill** and **Bronygarth**. She works every afternoon from 12.30pm and all day Tuesday. Phone **07496 597894** or email: **communityagentGT@glyntraian.org.uk**

CHIRK COMMUNITY CUPBOARD

At the Parish Hall, Holyhead Road, Chirk, LL14 5NA, open every Wednesday 2pm - 5pm. Open to all who live or work in Chirk this helps stop food wastage. We are not a food bank and we welcome anyone in the community who wants to access the initiative. Visitors are free to collect food, drop off donations or swap items from their own cupboards. No food goes to waste; fresh produce not used by the end of the day is collected by other food waste schemes in other areas.

CHIRK MUSEUM

Parish Hall, Holyhead Road, Chirk, LL14 5NA We are normally open Mondays 10am to 12 noon, and Thursdays from 2 to 4pm. Closed on Bank holidays, visiting outside these times is by Arrangement.

CHIRK AIR CADETS

Cadets meet on Mon & Thurs 7pm till 9pm at ATC HQ, Longfield, Chirk LL14 5RE For more information please call **07715 274088** or e: **oc.856@rafac.mod.gov.uk**

CREATING SPACES UPDATE

My colleague and I are still continuing with **Creating Spaces** - which is a Memory Loss and Dementia Group held in The Buck, Bangor on Dee on Wednesdays 1.30-3pm (coffee and tea, no alcohol) And Dobies Garden Centre on Tuesdays 2.30-4.30pm These two small local groups are all open to everyone across the Wrexham area offering a relaxed, safe place to connect, chat and unwind. Whether you are living with memory loss or dementia or supporting someone who is. We are also hoping to continue with our Wellness Walking Groups on a Monthly basis, but have not sorted a walk for August/September yet - we will be doing it as volunteers.

If people want to contact us about the groups they can call us on **07743756889**. We will advertise them on local community Facebook pages. Best wishes Brigitte and Zoe.

CHIRK GARDENERS' CLUB

We're a friendly, informal group we meet in the Parish Hall, Chirk on the last Monday of the month at 6.45pm, for a 7pm start with a talk or demonstration and refreshments. We usually have a selection of members plants for sale and a raffle. This is a good time to swap gardening knowledge and tips with other gardeners. Annual membership is £15 including refreshments and a members annual outing, or £3 per visit. If you would like more information please contact the Chair, Dawn on **07538 418421** or email **dawngough60@gmail.com** New members and visitors are always welcome.

We take our break in August and are back with our talk on **Mon 28th Sept** on 'The Society Years at Chirk Castle 1911-1946'. Jill Burton will cover the changes to the main garden, the development of Whitehurst as a vegetable and fruit garden and the cutting garden at Home Farm.

On **Mon 26th Oct** we have Joe Wainwright and *Inspiring Garden Photography*. Visit many inspiring gardens with a professional photographer and pick up some great photography tips.

Mon 30th Nov brings *Plants with a Story*. Samantha Hopes shares where they were collected from, how they are pollinated to their folklore and the old wives tales, sure to intrigue!



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LLANGOLLEN MUSEUM NEWS

New Technology to Improve Access to Llangollen Museum's Collection.

Here at Llangollen Museum we are delighted to announce that we have been successful in securing funding to allow us to improve access to, and care of, items in our collection via digitisation and conservation. The £42,778 award is from the Welsh Government. The programme will allow us to employ exciting new technology to create new displays in the Museum, as well as conserving and recording more of our artefacts and improving the information that we can make available online. The main new display in the Museum will be a Dreamoc 'holographic' display cabinet. This will allow us to show 3D imagery of items in our collection that are not normally on display. We hope to have the first ones showing later in August. Alongside that will be Victorian stereographic viewers. These were the 19th century equivalent of Meta Quest, and will allow visitors to view 3D photographs of scenes around Llangollen, that we hold in our collection, as they were in the late 1800s. Another new addition will be a touchscreen timeline display, available in the Museum and on our website, helping visitors to understand where items in our collection, and local landmarks, originated – both in time and space. Importantly, we will also purchase a braille printer, letting us make all of our display material available for those with visual impairments. We will increase the number of images of items in the Museum database by over 1,000. We will also purchase a new 3D photogrammetric scanner, allowing us to add more than 100 items to our 3D digital archive. A new collections management PC will be purchased, helping us to future proof our collections management system. Prior to digitisation, selected items will have critical restoration work carried out. Finally, we will digitise microfilm records that we hold of the Llangollen Advertiser newspaper, between 1920 and 1945 (that are not yet available digitally), enabling everyone to access this vital source of information. The digitised versions will be made available on our website, and given to the National Library of Wales to be included on the Welsh Newspapers Online web pages, alongside the existing 50 years that they already have. Our next talk will be on 29th July, when Andy Harrop-Smith gives a presentation about *"The Folklore of Birds"*. There is no talk in August, on **30th September** Professor Howard Williams will give a talk entitled *"What's Watt's Dyke?"* Do come along and enjoy finding out about this, and keep an eye on our social media for news about future talks. All talks start at 7pm at the Museum. Tickets £3 at the door with refreshments provided. Do get the date in your diaries - we hope to see you there!

The exhibition in the Janet Wakefield Gallery at the Museum started the beginning of August and will be an exhibition of paintings by the *Llangollen Art Group*. They will be followed in September by a display by the *Pen y Cae Art Group* and then by local artist *Tricia Lea* in October.

For all of the latest information about what is happening at the Museum, do keep an eye on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/p/Llangollen-Museum-100057657969751/>. Finally, as with many voluntary organisations, we need more volunteers, especially to



cover the weekends. If you want to be more involved with the history of the area, and become a volunteer at the Museum, please contact our manager Gill Smith on **07516 023524** or gilliansmith2@hotmail.co.uk.

After a very successful first six months, the Clwyd and Dee Valley Young Archaeologists Club (YAC), finished for the summer holidays. The session in July focused upon The Pillar of Eliseg, Offa's Dyke and the Bronze Age burial mound beneath the Pillar. The youngsters were taught about finds from the burial cairn and how to record them. Arrangements are underway to take the group to the open day at the Bryneglwys dig in August and to host members of that dig for a finds' session. We are in the process of arranging the sessions for the next six months beginning in September, dates to be announced. We are excited to have storyteller Andy Harrop-Smith joining our team in the near future. Please email Gill Smith on gilliansmith2@hotmail.co.uk for more information and membership details. For details of the themes for upcoming meetings please look at our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/share/14TB2VbYbL6/>. Our window displays change every month. August sees a display about medicine in Llangollen, followed by a display of medieval items from our collection in September. October features the Ladies of Llangollen, November focuses on Remembrance Day and December celebrates Christmas. Inside the Museum, the item of the month for August will be a stone Tudor head, discovered at Pentre Hall in Bronygarth near Chirk, home to a branch of the Edwards family in the 17th century. The type of stone and the appearance of the head, along with the connection of the Edwards family to Valle Crucis, make it possible that the head originated at the Abbey.

CEFN AND DISTRICT MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

We are open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am to 12:30pm, and this will carry on through the summer months, saving only for Bank Holidays. We continue to offer a wide range of displays illustrating the life of Cefn Mawr and district: the home, schools, churches and chapels, military life, industry, sport, village life and transport, which includes a Special Exhibition on the railways of the area. The most recent displays are to be found in our Music and Arts Room, where you can see exhibitions on Cefn Mawr Male Voice Choir, the Fron Choir and W T Evans, the printer of the Cefn Chronicle for many years. In addition we play a musical background to match the timeline of the displays, so you can hear music from programmes like Children's Favourites, Housewives' Choice and Music While You Work along with local music produced by the Monsanto Mixed Voice Choir. We look forward very much to seeing you there one morning.

The **Cefn Mawr Historical Society** continues to meet in the George Edwards Hall at 2pm on the last Friday of the month, excepting August and December, when we take a break. The September Meeting has a talk by Alastair Williams on *'The Parish Church of St Giles'* and October has John Roberts with *'Think you know North Wales'*. We hope you will be able to join us a £5 annual subscription gives you free access to a year's meetings.

The Ebenezer Gallery



Local Country & Western Evenings every last Friday of the month at the
Ebenezer Gallery, Crane Street, Cefn Mawr,
Pontcysyllte WHS, Wrexham, LL14 3AB.

Telephone 01978 231 297.

Main Live Music Event starts at 8pm, £5 admission.

Free Line Dancing tuition from 7PM.

Doors open 6:30pm. Licensed Bar and excellent facilities.

Local parking lots not far away.

Come along and bring a friend for a nice night out.