



THE COMMUNITY NEWS.

Cefn Mawr, Acrefair, Plas Madoc, Dee Valley and District
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Cefn Community Council were delighted to wish Jean and Terry Kempster of Cefn Mawr, Happy Diamond Wedding Anniversary. The couple who were married on 1 April 1961 have 6 children, 10 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren, we hope they enjoyed this special day and can now enjoy a family celebration.



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WILLIAMS FAMILY HAS FOOTBALL IN THE GENES!

Neco's starred for club and country, younger brother Keelan's captained Wales U18s and showed off his silky skills online but here in Cefn Mawr, it's another member of the Williams' footballing family who is grabbing all the attention!



Eleven year-old **Ocea Williams** has been playing at the heart of Cefn Albion U12s defence - one of two girls in the team battling it out with the boys in the Wrexham and District Junior League. She has now won the **Managers Player of the Season** award with **Cefn Albion's U12's** at their recent end of season presentation event. Congratulations Ocea.

Crane Medical Centre

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News Update



Welcome to the third edition of Crane News.

Since the last edition we have continued unabated with the delivery of our Covid -19 safe vaccination clinics. The vaccination programme has definitely been an immensely challenging time but we remain committed to ensuring all of our patients are offered and ultimately receive both their vaccinations to give maximum protection against contracting the virus. As we are now fully immersed in delivering our phase two plan of second doses we still remain committed and encouraging of those patients who are still undecided about being vaccinated.

With this in mind please contact the surgery for your vaccine if you have not yet received one or both and we will assist you in securing that all important vaccination. We are fully aware that there have been concerns raised in the media regarding the Oxford Astra Zeneca vaccine and an increased risk of developing a potential and rare type of blood clot. Those patients aged between 18-39 years will receive the Pfizer vaccines unless contraindicated. We are all now working to the latest published guidance where those aged forty or over will receive the Astra Zeneca vaccination. So if you are under forty and received your first dose of Astra Zeneca then it is important that you receive your second dose as planned. The second dose importantly gives the higher, longer lasting protection and is notably associated with less frequent minor side effects like mild headache. Very rare adverse effects are thought to be associated with first doses only.

In the interim as "normal" life begins to re –awaken from the pandemic slumber we still wish to highlight that we remain here for our vulnerable patient groups with chronic diseases and would encourage anyone with symptoms suspicious of serious illness including those with mental health difficulties to contact us. In addition we would urge all seventy to eighty year old patients to book their Shingles vaccination if they have not yet received one. We would also encourage all those aged 18-25 years to book their MenAcwy vaccination to protect them from meningitis if they have not already received this vaccine.

Last month we were also delighted to extend a very warm welcome to our local MP for Clwyd South **Simon Baynes** who visited us on the 7th May. During the visit, Mr Baynes thanked staff for their tireless work on behalf of residents and the local community and discussed in particular our successful work in delivering the Covid-19 vaccination programme. As a practice it has always been our number one priority and pleasure to be serving the health needs of our patients and the local community. The Covid pandemic has merely reinforced our commitment to ensuring that we play our part in vaccinating and protecting as many of them as we can.



"As a practice we would like to thank all those patients who have come forward and received their vaccinations and for all your kind and positive comments on the organisation and delivery of the clinics both at Crane Medical Centre and at the local vaccination centre at Plas Madoc Leisure Centre.

"Our final comment would be to urge those who have not as yet been vaccinated to come forward. Together we will triumph over adversity and forge a "new" tomorrow – until then please continue to adhere to government guidelines for yours and everyone else's safety."

At present the practice continues with our clinical triaging of all telephone calls before our clinicians are able to see you face to face. Please do not attend the surgery if you are experiencing/suffering with a high temperature, a new and continuous cough or loss of taste/smell. We are here to help you so please contact us on **01978 810844** in the first instance. If, however, you are not a currently registered patient and struggling to access healthcare services for whatever reason please contact us today as we are happy and excited to accept new patient registrations and welcome you to our practice.

We look forward to updating you in next addition.

TREVOR BASIN VISITOR CENTRE



Trevor Basin Visitor Centre Gift Shop is now open 7 days a week from 10am - 4pm. We also have some new and exciting Events which have started. Let's outdoor Yoga which is based at Trevor Basin, Let's Walk and Talk which is a guided walk incorporating the Llangollen Canal as well as the return of Let's Fish, suitable for anyone over the age of six, adults and children alike, whether you've never fished before or are getting back into it after a break. Book your place before our events fill up and enjoy free, post-lockdown fishing on your local canal. Our first Yoga event was held here last week and we had some lovely local ladies join in. If any one's interested they can book onto these Events by checking out our **Events page on Facebook**. The second and fourth Wednesday of the month is Task force day and this is a great opportunity to join a friendly, lively and active group of volunteers pop in and let us know if you want to join in.

Local Scouts have also booked in their annual Charity stall at Trevor Basin where you can buy their famous locally made Bara Brith – **Sundays 27th June, 18th July, 29th August and 12th September.**

Have you got some spare time on your hands? Want to meet and interact with new people? We're looking for **Aqueduct Rangers** at Trevor Basin. This involves being out and about, getting those steps in, interacting with Visitors to the World Heritage Site and being part of a team with Staff and Volunteers in the Visitor Centre. With training and support from The Canal and River Trust this might be your next adventure. Sign up at: <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/volunteer/opportunities/2943172c-pontcysyllte-aqueduct-ranger-trevor-basin-llangollen-canal?>

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TY MAWR COUNTRY PARK UPDATE



The park is fully open now with the small animals back and some lovely new rescue rabbits for people to meet. Thanks to **Julie Jones** for her photo of the Guinea Pigs. The shop at Ty Mawr is open daily it has relocated to the building opposite the kiosk, and is open 10.30am to 4.30pm and the kiosk opens from

10.30am till 2.30pm, at weekends, bank holidays and school holidays till 4.30pm. The toilet block is open and we ask that visitors follow the Covid-19 guidelines as shown on the notices for spacing, sanitizing and numbers for every ones safety. We love that you enjoy coming to our beautiful park and ask that you please pick up after your dog and also pick up your litter, if our bins are full can you please take it back home with you, thank you from the all the park wildlife and the park volunteers.

COMMUNITY AGENTS UPDATE

I have been off due to ill health and will be off for a little longer if you need some support please contact **Tyger** on **07532 780007**, e: **tyger@tygertactics.com** or Trina at Cefn Community Council on **01978 821298**.



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YSGOL RHOSYMEDRE NEWS



We celebrated our belated St. David's Day, by wearing Welsh costume, listening to stories and enjoying some Welsh food. We had such a fun day!

The children in Year 2 have been learning about staying safe when playing out, with PC Kim. They have also thoroughly enjoyed finding out about and playing with the Victorian toys as part of their learning about the past.



Year 4 have explored the magic of metamorphosis! Our teacher surprised us with some tiny caterpillars, and we used our mathematical skills to see how many centimetres they would grow every few days. We estimated, then measured them carefully, which was tricky as they were quite wriggly! Next, we examined the lifecycle of a butterfly and the stages it goes through to become a butterfly. When they turned into chrysalides we carefully observed them, until we could see their wings through the chrysalis!



Then, we labelled the parts of a butterfly and found out how they sip nectar. We also discovered some more amazing facts about our butterflies- they migrate all the way to Africa in the winter! Finally, we set our butterflies free to continue with their lifecycle, it was wonderful!

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EDITORS COMMENTS

Hello and its great to be back in print, I hope you are safely starting to get out and about more as we welcome the easing of the Covid restrictions and get to enjoy visiting and meeting friends and family again and having the shops open too. How lovely it is to see some of the groups and activities like the **50's plus Group** and the **Lunch Club** restarting and, being able to book into the library to choose our own books.

There is a guideline on the use of **Drones** to be found on **page 18** which should answer some questions I have been asked.

Your concerns about **Electric Scooters** have been raised both with our PCSO's and at Cefn Community Council meetings and there is a guideline from North Wales Police on their use to be found on **page 20**. I have had a number of local people and businesses raising concerns about the Newbridge Road closure with no buses for Newbridge or Pentre, having to rely upon taxis, the extra milage incurred and when the bypass is closed the issues including delays the diverted traffic is causing in our community and have created a 38 Degrees petition asking for Welsh Government funding help get this repaired, if you agree, can you please visit this link below and sign it thank you.

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/repairs-to-bridge-b5605-newbridge>

Please do get in touch on **07532 780007** or email: tyger@tygertactics.com

Stay safe, Tyger.

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The children at the nursery have been very busy making the most of any dry spells between the showers. They have been enjoying outdoor play, water play, sand play, mud kitchen and gardening. The garden is looking very good. All the flowers are planted and the children have been busy planting Cosmos, sun flowers and carrot seeds.

The topic this term is water/ sea-side and the focus has been on art, craft, songs, drama and stories to do with this. Nature and mini-beasts have also been explored. The nursery garden has some lovely bug areas where the children can hunt for mini beasts. The older children have been helping out *D.D. Testing*, a company which develops and tests child proof packaging for medicines, cleaning products etc.

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Wales have been using their hours at the nursery and this has all run very smoothly. We are currently able to offer free child care for children during the term following their third birthday. Please get in touch if you would like more information. Several new children have recently joined nursery and are settling in nicely. Places for September are now being taken up rapidly but we still have a few left. Please ring **01978 822446** if you are interested.



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Finally, after more than a year of being closed due to Covid, Llangollen Museum is happy to announce a re-opening date (this, of course, assuming that there is no requirement from the government for further lockdown). We will be opening our doors once more on **Tuesday 6th July**, and then be open every **Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday** from **11am to 4pm**. After the summer we will review the opening days and hours and, depending upon volunteer availability may be able to add more days. We are always looking for new volunteers who are able to give a regular half or a day every week to help keep the Museum open. If you are interested in, or have knowledge of, the history of Llangollen and the surrounding area, or just want to learn a bit and meet people, then please do consider volunteering. Please contact the manager **Gill Smith** on **07516 023524** or at gilliansmith2@hotmail.co.uk.

When we re-open we will have some new exhibitions for everyone to see. We are hoping to have new displays about churches, transport, mills, farming and geology. We also have some new display drawers that will allow us to put out on display some artefacts and documents that have hitherto been locked away in our archive. So do come along and discover something new about Llangollen. The art gallery will initially continue to display the exhibition by **Sue Hargreaves** that was unfortunately interrupted a year ago. Taking over from that a little later will be a series of comic drawings by **Victor Lama** that tell the story of St Collen. Victor was a visiting student with ECTARC over a year ago, and we are excited to be able to at last show his work to the public. When we re-open we will still have some restrictions in place. We will have screens, hand gel, direction signage, separate entry/exit and limits on numbers in place. The children's area will not be open, neither will the research area. There will be only a limited number of widely spaced seats to watch the History of Llangollen DVD. We look forward to seeing you all in July! The Llangollen Museum team.

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We have been advised that there are cases of the Delta variant in the locality. Can we please remind everyone of the importance of following Covid-19 rules and social distancing guidelines, even for those who are fully vaccinated. If you have any of the three main Covid symptoms (new, continuous cough, high temperature, or loss of taste or smell) you must self-isolate and get a test. Please see links below. Please remember that lateral flow testing is only for those with no symptoms. If you have symptoms you must get a PCR test.

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MOBILE TESTING AT WREXHAM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

A mobile testing unit has opened on Wrexham Industrial Estate to make it easier for people working there to get a Covid-19 test. The move is part of ongoing work to help keep virus cases low in Wrexham. The easy-access testing facility will be offering rapid lateral flow tests at the Redwither Business Park, every Monday based in the overflow carpark adjacent to the staff car park, Staff working on the industrial estate who don't have symptoms are encouraged to get tested at the unit, anyone who does have symptoms should self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test from www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test About one in three people with coronavirus don't have symptoms, but can still infect others, and getting tested regularly is the only way to know if you have the virus. If people test positive and self-isolate, it helps stop the virus spreading. The work is being co-ordinated by Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, Wrexham Council and Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust.

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THE DEE VALLEY PICTURESQUE BUS SERVICE

New bus service launched in the Dee Valley providing access to some of the key destinations in this beautiful and historic landscape. The **199 service** operates on Saturdays til **30th October 2021**. Full timetable and ticket prices are on the Denbighshire Bus Timetable webpage or get a leaflet from **Llangollen Tourist Information Centre** on Castle Street. This bus service circular route links Llangollen and surrounding villages to popular local attractions including Pontcysyllte Aqueduct, Wenffrwd Nature Reserve, Horseshoe Falls, Valle Crucis Abbey, Plas Newydd and the Horseshoe Pass. People can visit without a car, helping to reduce congestion at some of the most popular sites in the Dee Valley. Complimenting the existing public transport and connecting to bus timetables from **Corwen** and **Wrexham** this makes the *Picturesque Bus service* the ideal option for planning walks in these areas.

MORE SUCCESSES FROM THE LATEST FLT COURSE

Here are the latest two participants to complete an FLT related course. These vocational course run by **Gatewen** through **Communities for Work** are an excellent path into employment. **Tristan Thomas**, *Employment Liaison Officer* said "there are some fantastic examples of people going into work as project coordinators and into warehouse positions on the back of some of these courses." Brendan said on his course evaluation that he really enjoyed the course and that he learnt a lot more than from his previous internal training course.



Congratulations to Brendan Jones (left) and John Brennan who successfully passed the Counterbalance Novice course.

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CEFN COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATE



Cefn Community Councillors came out in force to carry out a litter pick in Acrefair and collected eight bags of litter! If you would like to join in the next one, please contact the Clerk on **01978 821298**. Councillors will be holding a litter pick once a month around various locations within the whole community, all equipment can be given out on the day.

The George Edwards Hall, the hall is now used by *Slimming World* on a Tuesday from 2.30pm-8.30pm, *Line Dancing* on a Wednesday from 7.30pm to 10pm, and *Foodbank* on Thursday from 10.30am to 12 noon. The Clerk can be contacted on **01978 821298** for any enquiries.

Planters and Hanging Baskets we are pleased to say the planters and baskets around the village have been planted up and they will be in full bloom in the next couple of weeks

Cefn Community Council Bowling Green is open for public use from Monday to Friday between 12noon to 3pm, please adhere to the social distancing measures in place at all times

Football Pitch is only available for youth friendly games as per the current guidelines.

The MUGA - Multi Use Games Area on Plas Kynaston Lane and all 12 of our **Children's Play Parks** are open, we ask that you please follow the social distancing guidelines and please take your rubbish home with you if there is no available bin, thank you.

Summer Playscheme our school holiday play scheme for **Cefn** and **Acrefair** is back, we were pleased to be able to restart it for this half term break on **Monday** and **Wednesday** at **Plas Kynaston** and **Friday** on **Acrefair School field**. See poster, please call Family Information Service on **01978 292094** for the summer holiday start dates.

Street lights: We have just about completed the upgrade to our street lights with new energy efficient LED bulbs. If you notice any street lights out please can you report them with the number off the lamp post to the Clerk on **01978 821298** thank you.

Birthdays: If you know of members in our community

community who are going to be celebrating their **90th** or **100th** birthdays please can you let the Clerk know on **01978 821298** thank you.

Wedding Anniversaries: If you know of members in our community who are going to be celebrating their **Diamond, 60 years or Platinum, 70 years Anniversaries** please can you let the Clerk know on **01978 821298**

Trefynant Cemetery: is open however we respectfully ask when visiting the Cemetery you distance yourself two metres apart from other people. **Polite Notice** - Can all visitors to *Trefynant Cemetery* please only park on the Tarmac path not on grassed verge, unfortunately there has been some damage caused to the grassed verges, wooden pegs have been erected to prevent any further damage. Please use the one-way system, no turning around by the brick cabin. Thank you for your co-operation.

Defibrillators where can you find the local Defibs? Hinds Shop on Bro Gwilym,, The George Edwards Hall on Well Street by the front door and the Eagles Inn, Acrefair on the Llangollen Road side.





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RAISE THE ROOF COMMUNITY SINGING FOR EVERYONE

We have regular Zoom meetings at 7pm on Thursdays until we can all safely get together again. Please check the joining details on our

Facebook page. We hope you can make it as it's lovely to see you all and to get together and keep one another's spirits up!

CHIRK SURGERY TEL 01691 772434

Prescriptions From 1 July, patients will no longer be able to collect their prescriptions from the surgery reception desk as they will all be sent direct to a pharmacy for dispensing. Only emergency prescriptions issued by a GP or nurse will be available to collect from reception, all patients who are still coming to the surgery to collect their prescription will be advised that it will be sent to Rowlands Pharmacy within the Health Centre after 1 July. Patients will have the option to choose an alternative pharmacy and will be given a slip to complete that can be handed back to reception

LOCAL PEOPLE IN WREXHAM USING THEIR TALENTS TO HELP OTHERS

An innovative scheme has come to Wrexham to support local people to set up working for themselves offering highly personalised care and support to older and disabled people.

The scheme provides free mentoring to support caring people to set up as

self-employed or to set up a

small business or enterprise offering help at home or in the community. You don't need any care or business experience to benefit from the scheme, but you do need to know what good care looks like.

Local people might offer help with washing and dressing, cleaning, cooking, sitting and chatting, DIY, gardening and more. Several passionate people have already taken advantage of the project locally, including Moya who has set up a small enterprise called Home Assist Wrexham. Moya said. *"Things are going well – I have everything I need in place. I have four people who I am supporting already. I really like meeting people, listening to their stories and providing support that makes a difference to their lives. Being self-employed is fantastic, I like the exhilaration of having control over my days and meeting wonderful older people."*

Community Catalysts who run the project are a UK wide social enterprise specialising in helping local people to use their talents to help others. Your local Community Catalyst in Wrexham is Tom Hughes who would be very happy to answer any questions you have about the project and the support they provide. The project is funded by Wrexham County Borough Council so Tom's help and support is free to local people. Contact Tom to find out more:

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CEFN MAWR AND DISTRICT MUSEUM



Just to let you know that we are now preparing the Museum for its reopening when that is authorised by Cefn Community Council. Volunteers have begun the task of cleaning up the

exhibits, and the displays are now looking ready for our first visitors. We shall let you know as soon as we have a reopening date! We look forward to seeing you again before long! Please keep an eye on our website <https://www.cefnmawrmuseum.org.uk> or our **Facebook** page for the latest news and updates. The **Historical Society** is not rushing to restart as we appreciate members concerns, we really miss our monthly meetings and hope to see you all safely in the George Edwards Hall soon.

PREMIER RADIO

A new community radio station for Wrexham has revealed its plans going forward. Since its establishment, Premier Radio has gone from strength-to-strength and moved to new studio premises at Yellow & Blue on Henblas Street, Wrexham, a social enterprise project in the town. This enables the station to welcome guests for interviews as well as support an important community project. They have also been developing their schedule and they offer a range of programmes throughout the day, from popular music programmes to interviews with local musicians and a 'DJ Anthem' segment.

David Howells, a Premier Director said: "At Premier Radio we are endeavouring to create a station that can support our brilliant community. That's why we are offering a diverse range of programmes for listeners, whilst supporting local fundraising efforts and businesses on our station and our website. If any businesses, groups or individuals that are fundraising would like support from us, please do get in contact!" Please visit our **Facebook** page to join online or our website: www.premier-radio.co.uk for programme, joining and listening now details. You can call us any time on **0843 523 5910**



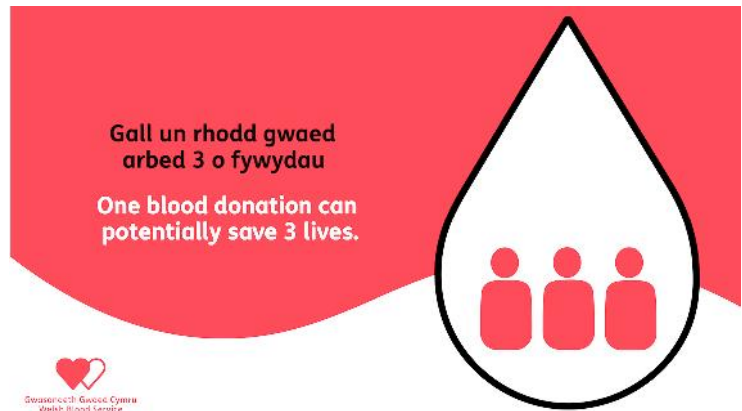
Paul Griffiths says join **Wrexham Premier Radio** on Wednesdays from 6-7pm and Fridays from 5-7pm via our **Facebook** page, via Alexa by enabling her to play Wrexham Premier Radio and on many other platforms too, take a look at the website for more info, you can also listen using the listen now button on the website.

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THE SUN TREVOR, SUN BANK, LLANGOLLEN VIRTUAL QUIZ IS CONTINUING

Join our weekly **Wednesday** night quiz raising money for **Nightingale House Hospice**. We are still running our on-line quiz. Our regular teams and many from further afield are taking part at home or meeting via Skype or Zoom. Questions are posted at 8 pm on the **Sun Trevor Facebook page** and the Answers posted at 9 pm. Teams mark their own papers and submit their scores in the comments section on the Facebook page. We have set up a **Just Giving** page so players can donate the usual £2 per player. We would love more people to help raise money for this cause and come along to the Sun Trevor when this is over.

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Anyone who tries to pay for this service online before June 28 will be signing up to the 2020/21 service, which closes at the end of August. Darren Williams, chief officer for environment and technical, said: "We are pleased to be able to freeze the cost of the service at £25 per green bin per year, which is less than many other authorities in England and Wales. Renewals will begin from Monday, June 28, and the best and most convenient way to pay for the service will be online at www.wrexham.gov.uk/gardenwaste.

If this isn't possible, you will be able to call **01978 298989** to make a card payment. However, we must stress again, please don't attempt to pay for this service until renewals open on June 28."

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CEFN MONTHLY MARKET



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This will be the main subject of our next PKC Group meeting at the Holly Bush Inn on the Tuesday evening, the 13th of July, start time 1900.

Regards, David Metcalfe, Cefn Community Councillor & Dee Valley AONB Champion.

www.pkcgroup.wales

Holly Bush Inn, Cefn Square, Cefn Mawr, Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site, Wrexham, LL14 3AE, Tel 01978 449 814

CHURCH NOTICES

CEFN MAWR CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



Promises, promises, promises!
As I write this, we are a few days off being asked to vote for our political leaders. So, when you read this, we will have made our choice. Which party, which candidate did we vote for? Who did we trust for our future?

Our family's security, the future support for the NHS, education, employment etc.? I apologise if you have taken a refreshing breath and put this bombardment of politics behind you, but the decision has now been made and so we've got to leave it in their hands! We are aware that good intentions have been put forward by every party, but do we honestly believe that they can and will fulfil all their promises? Will they be able to? What unexpected uncertainties may lay ahead of them to deal with? How often do we hear it said "You can't trust any of them"? And do we? . . . We all hope so!

Looking back, who of these parties could have possibly been expected to make forward decisions with the unexpected outbreak of the Corona Virus in their planning - and to be prepared in all that it threw at us - not only in this country - but in the whole world? However, it is now our politician's job to try to put this country and the needs of its people back together again! What a task! - and can we truly rely on the chosen parties involved to be able to do this? Only time will tell . . . We live in a world full of uncertainties. Who of us really knows what tomorrow holds? Who can we really trust for that assurance of security? Who can we go to for help in the decisions that we personally have to make for our future and that of our loved ones?

God's Word (the bible) is full of promises from the beginning to the end, and as you read through this book - even as a historical account - you realise that everything God says He will do - He does! He is totally true to His word, dependable and reliable - even today! In the New Testament Jesus (God's son) continues to make many promises, and if you read any of the gospel books of Matthew, Mark, Luke or John you will see again that these promises are fulfilled.

Jesus shows us a better way to live. A way that brings peace, security, love and joy in this life, no-matter what the world throws at us, but He also promises that He will never leave us or forsake us, that we can ask Him anytime, day or night, for the help we need for wisdom or direction. He even promises life after death!

At Cefn Mawr Christian Fellowship we are a group of folk from different - or no church backgrounds who all enjoy mixing together around tables and food - (which we're not allowed to do at the moment under the current restrictions) - but in a very relaxed way we talk about things in the bible, our beliefs, our doubts - sharing our different experiences. Perhaps you're not certain if you believe there is a God? Or if there is - does He really care about you, your family, your circumstances? Does He really answer prayers? These are questions that we can help you with now, do you need someone to talk to? You don't have to wait for us to reunite as a group, you can call us on **01978 824785** or if necessary leave your name and number on our answer phone and we'll get back to you.

Although, at the moment we're not able to give a confirmed date when CaféChurch or the Social Evenings will be able to start meeting again in the way we did before the outbreak, we will of course make sure that we will advertise the first of these events as soon as we have the go-ahead to do so, and that hopefully it won't be long before we're able to invite folk to come along again to enjoy times of fun, friendship and support!

Every blessing, **Colin and Rowena.**

ST JOHN'S RHOSYMEDRE



Our weekly service is **11am** every **Sunday**. All are welcome, but please wear a mask (unless you are exempt) and observe social distancing. We hope to restart the church activities and

community activities that we had to stop during lockdown, but we cannot give dates yet. Please check the church websites for details once the current lockdown is lifted. If you wish to book a wedding or baptism please contact the vicar:

katherinetiltman@gmail.com or tel **01978 824087**.

RHOSYMEDRE METHODIST CHAPEL

The Chapel is now open for worship every **Sunday** at **11am** All are welcome. For more information please call **01978 821177**.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH RUABON

We will continue our Sunday Holy Communion service at 9.30am and Mass at 11am, please follow the guidelines.

CATHOLIC CHURCHS

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LLANGOLLEN GROUP OF ANGLICAN CHURCHES

Please remember **IN CHURCH**: Do not gather to chat before the service. Leave the building straight away after the service. It is safer to talk outside than to mingle in the building. Remember to keep social distance at all times and give one

another space as you exit through doorway.

CHURCH HALLS: are open for organised indoor activities for up to 30 adults. The Sunday lunch is permitted to go ahead and people will be seated at tables, all distanced, and in line with the current guidelines. Please note: these are the latest rules from the Church in Wales and the Welsh Government concerning places of worship and church halls. *We have a public service on **Sundays 11am** at **St Collen's** please wear a mask and observe social distancing and sanitizing. Let's all stay as safe as possible We also invite you to join our weekly **From Mission Halls to Music Halls** sessions on Sundays at 6pm, thank you.* For more information please visit our website <http://www.stcollenschurch.org.uk/>



ST MARTINS FOODBANK

St Martins Village Centre Overton Road,
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Wrexham Foodbank provides three-day emergency food parcels, toiletries, pet food, household cleaning products, nappies and fuel vouchers to local people who are struggling to buy food due to reasons such as waiting for benefit payments or wages, debt, fleeing domestic violence, ill health or being on a low income. The Cefn distribution centre in the **George Edwards Hall** on Well Street is open **Thursdays from 10.30am to 12 noon**. Referrals can be made by most organisations and Council Departments such as Housing Officers, Social Workers, Health Visitors, Schools, Citizen's Advice Bureau, Family Information Service and Work Coaches. Alternatively phone the national CAB helpline on **0808 208 2138** - Freephone. The Foodbank is well stocked and eager to help, please don't struggle alone. For information visit **www.wrexham.foodbank.org.uk** You can follow the Foodbank on Facebook and Twitter.

WARM HOME DISCOUNT

Don't forget to be eligible for the warm home discount for 2021/22, you need to be with your supplier by the end of the first week of July. That means now is a good time to switch to avoid missing out on £140 toward your biggest fuel bill. Check out **www.groundworkswitch.org.uk** for some great deals. For any other energy queries contact **Energy@groundworknorthwales.org.uk**



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- ✓ flyer ID, which shows you've passed the basic flying test
- ✓ operator ID, which must be labelled on your drone or model aircraft

You may need to have both.

FLYER ID

You must pass the CAA's official theory test to get a flyer ID before flying a drone or model aircraft. You're responsible for flying safely and legally whenever you fly.

OPERATOR ID

The operator is the person responsible for managing a drone or model aircraft. This means they're responsible for things like maintaining it and making sure that anyone who flies it has a flyer ID. You must be 18 or over to get an operator ID.

Classes of Drone

The types of flying you do with your drone or model aircraft are known as operations. This affects things like where you can fly, and how close to people and crowds you can fly. Drones and model aircraft are split into **5 Classes**, each class has specific rules on where you can fly, whether you need an ID etc. Please ensure you check if your drone has a class mark, if it doesn't, you will have to follow the regulations according to its weight. There are further regulations to follow if you have a camera on your drone also.

Please find more information about your drone/model aircraft at **https://register-drones.caa.co.uk/drone-code/getting-what-you-need-to-fly**

Citizens Advice Wrexham

Citizens Advice Wrexham are still open and providing a service during COVID-19

There are several ways people can continue to get advice during this time.

- ✓ General advice line **01978 364639** leave a message with a brief description of the issue, your name and telephone number and you will receive a call back.
- ✓ National Citizens Advice Help Line **0345 44 70 70**
- ✓ A further Wrexham Helpline number is **0300 330 1178**
- ✓ Chat online to an advisor through our Facebook page **www.facebook.com/ facebook.com/ WrexhamCA** and send a private message
- ✓ Anyone seeking help with Universal Credit should call **01978 364639**

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PLAS MADOC NEWS & UPDATES THE LAND



Plas Madoc Kettle Club is run by the AVOW Play Team (**The Land**) it's an informal, friendly group where parents, grandparents and carers can meet up and have a chat over a brew. People can also access support, advice and opportunities to attend free training. The group is free to attend and everyone is welcome. In addition the **Play Team** have dedicated parent support which can be accessed Monday to Friday. Please check our Facebook page for weekly details of times and where we are meeting. If you would like more information please contact claire.pugh@avow.org or find us on Facebook @ **WE ARE PLAS MADOC**

If you need help with anything you can get in touch with us on our Facebook page **We Are Plas Madoc** or you can call or text **07394 465113**. Please feel free to share this number with any friends and neighbours that may need support. **We Are Plas Madoc** have a website so if you'd like to learn more about the group head over to www.weareplasmadoc.co.uk

MUNCH AND BRUNCH

Munch & Brunch runs every **Wednesday** from **10am-12pm** on the Plas Leisure Centre field. Come along have a brew and meet new people.

FRUIT & VEG PACKS

Fruit, Veg, salad bags available at a total cost of £5 collection **Wednesday 10am-12pm** on the Plas Madoc Leisure Centre field. Please inbox the **We Are Plas Madoc** Facebook page to order or call **07394 465113**.

WEEKLY MEDITATION CLASSES

Free meditation class every **Friday 11.15am** on the Plas Madoc Leisure Centre field. Relax and enjoy the sounds around you. Please inbox **We Are Plas Madoc** Facebook page and let us know if your coming or call **07394 465113**.

BINGO

Bingo is every last **Friday** of the month on Zoom and it is £3.00 for 10 games. Please inbox **We Are Plas Madoc** Facebook page and let us know if your coming or call **07394 465113**.

PLAS TELFORD

We have been working with **Plas Telford** providing weekly sessions with residents **Coffee Mornings, Music and Movement classes** and we have an added activity this month with starting a **Gardening Club**. Our Street Champion volunteer Eluned a Plas Telford resident said talking to **WAPM** has really helped her get through the lockdown and is pleased with the results and its nice to see everyone that attends happy and chatting and planning for the next activities which are already in the pipeline with WAPM for the very near future.

Life has returned to Plas Telford with more to come, Eluned wants to say thank you to all the residents for their encouraging and kind feedback and also to say thank you to **WAPM** for help, patience and empathy that they have shown me during the last year.

I would like to celebrate and take this opportunity to thank everyone of our incredible, wonderful Volunteers/ Street champions for all their hard work and continuing support. You really are amazing Thank you ♡.

LITTLE SUNFLOWERS



Open to Flying start Families and Rising 4's. Please contact **Sharon** on **01978 813914** for information on all services available, or message Little Sunflowers Avow Facebook page thank you.

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CAB SESSIONS CAB Drop-in Service at Plas Madoc Leisure Centre **Update now 4 mornings a week, Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.30am-12.30pm**, see poster below, this is for the **Acrefair/ Plas Madoc** area only at this time. We are looking at our options for returning to **Cefn Mawr Library** within the next few months. We also have a large stock of **FREE** lateral flow test kits available at reception just pop in and ask at Reception.

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We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can buy them from many popular retailers.

HOWEVER, THE CURRENT LAW IS CLEAR.

You can buy one but you can't ride it on a public road, cycle lane or pavement. E-scooters can only be used on private land with the permission of the landowner.

WHY IS THIS?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs), so they are treated as a motor vehicle and subject to the same legal requirements such as

MOT, Licensing, Tax, Insurance.

As e-scooters don't have number plates, signal ability and don't always have a visible rear light, they can't be used legally on the roads.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I'VE BEEN STOPPED BY NORTH WALES POLICE?



North Wales Police understand the public's support for environmentally friendly modes of transport and want to work with the public to make sure that the roads are safe for everyone. The UK Government is currently taking part in '**Future Transport Zone**' trials for e-scooter hire, with a view to making them legal to use on the road. All local authorities can apply to take part, but at the moment **North Wales are not part of the trials.**

Section 59 of the Police Reform Act allows police to give road users a warning if they are reported to have used their vehicle in a manner which causes alarm,

distress or annoyance. North Wales Police also have the powers to seize vehicles – please make sure you keep e-scooters on private land, with the landowner's permission, to ensure this does not happen to you.

WCBC'S NEW ALLOCATIONS TEAM

To apply to the *Wrexham Local Authority* for social housing now there is one centralised team dedicated to this service. The Allocations Team are also responsible for the processing of Special Needs and Medical Assessment Forms, Nominations to Housing Associations, applications and allocations for Council garages. If you are in need of urgent or emergency housing we still advise you to contact the **Housing Options Team** on **01978 292947**, however both teams work closely with one another to enable a single point of contact for any one wishing to obtain both urgent and non-urgent housing from the Local Authority. For queries relating to your application for housing contact the team at: **WCBC Allocations Team, Contact Centre, 16 Lord Street, Wrexham, LL11 1LG** By phone: **01978 292068** or email: Allocationsteam@wrexham.gov.uk

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Wrexham's Weekly Outdoor Market is held every Monday throughout the year on **Queens Square** from 9am-4pm.

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WCBC ESTATE OFFICE UPDATE

If you have **URGENT OUT OF HOURS HOUSING REPAIRS** contact housing on **01978 298993**. For **URGENT HOUSING QUERIES** please call the Estate Office on **01978 292061**.

Our estate offices are slowly being re-opened again, starting with LIMITED face to face appointments ONLY. If you need to speak to a housing officer, please call the estate office on **01978 292061** to discuss in the first instance, and if appropriate, they will book you an appointment. Please note, the estate offices are NOT open for walk in's and the machines are still currently unavailable inside.

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WCBC BENEFITS ADVICE

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Our Function Room, Lounge, Sports Bar and Toilets have all had a complete makeover. We are also pleased to now be able to offer **Wi-Fi** to all our customers and we have contactless card payment in the club for all amounts over £1.



Bingo Nights Mon: 7:30pm–9:30pm **Tues, Fri, Sat & Sun:** 8:30pm–11:15pm

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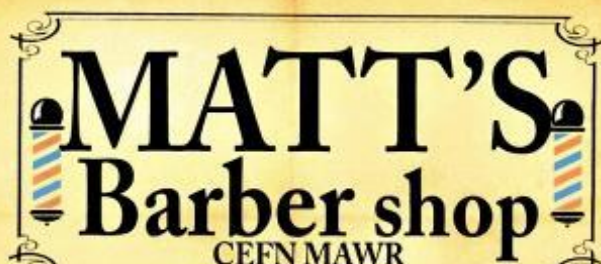


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5 Star dining at Ysgol Rhiwabon

Ysgol Rhiwabon recently gained the highest Food Standards Agency Hygiene rating of 5. This rating means the standard of hygiene is classed

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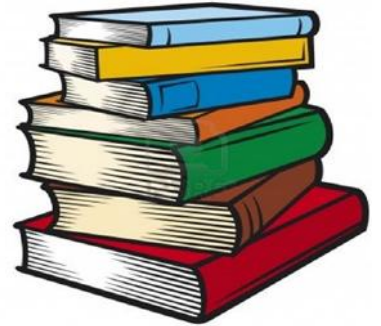
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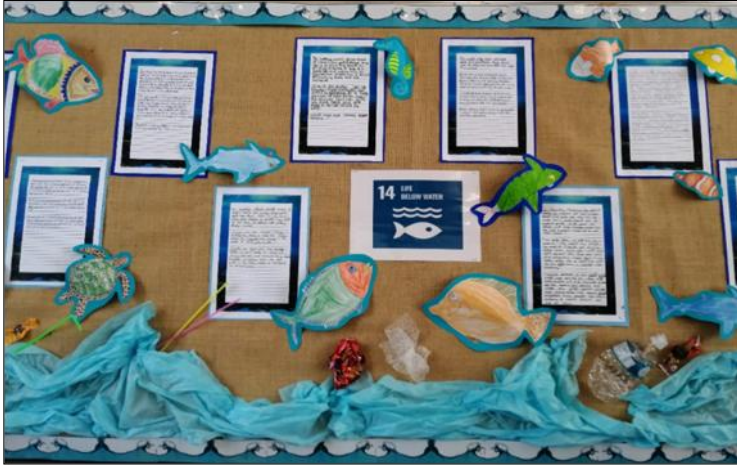
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YSGOL ACREFAIR NEWS



What a wet and windy start to the summer term we have had! We have still managed to get outside as much as we can this half term though with lots of classes concentrating on inquiries relating to our natural world and the environment. In Nursery the children have been finding out about how things grow, they have planted grass seeds, cress and beans and have seen how these things all grow in different ways. They have been enjoying reading 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. Year 2 have been exploring the best places for growing their radishes and what factors affect how they grow. The children in Year 1 have been finding out all about the important role that bees play in our environment. In Year 6 the children's inquiry question was 'how can we use more sustainable practices in our school?' and they have set about establishing allotments as part of their 'leaver's legacy' which the children in other classes will be able to harvest from and use next year. They have planted a range of vegetables, a group who were particularly interested in growing herbs have also established a sensory garden with a range of different herbs. In Year 2 the children have been learning about the ocean and plastic pollution in our seas. Year 5 have also been learning about United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 14 'Life Below Water' and they too have been finding out about the impact that humans have on the ocean. Both classes have produced some beautiful artwork and descriptive writing on this theme.



Whilst we have been learning about the environment, many children have noticed the issue that we have with litter on our school field, and we were very pleased to work with Councillor Benbow-Jones and 'Keep Wales Tidy' to carry out a litter pick on the field and around the school grounds. We collected more than six bin bags full of rubbish! The children in Year 6 have written a letter to everyone in the local community asking them to take more care of our field, so that it is a safe place for us to use for our learning. We have been equally busy with our children learning inside if the classroom too. The children in Year 3 have turned their attention to the theme of castles this term and are in the process of creating models of different castles from around Wales, using what they have found out. They have also been enjoying their work on well-being with the different 'well-being monsters' who they have been introduced to this week. In Year 4, the children's inquiry question has related to the impact that war has upon children. They are learning all about out about the evacuees in World War 2 as part of our focus on 'Goal 16- Peace, justice and strong institutions'. As part of this work, PC Kim came into school to work with all of the children in Years 4, 5 and 6, helping them to understand how the justice system works in our country. The children in Years 5 and 6 have also been learning about the local elections and what it means to be part of a democracy. We are looking forward to next half term and hopefully some sunshine to end the school year too!



A letter to our Local Community

Dear Community of Acrefair,

We are a group of pupils in Year 6 at Ysgol Acrefair, and we are writing to you on behalf of our classmates and the rest of the children in our school. Disappointingly, we feel the need to make you aware of an issue that has grown over the past year. Right before our eyes, the environment around our school is being destroyed!

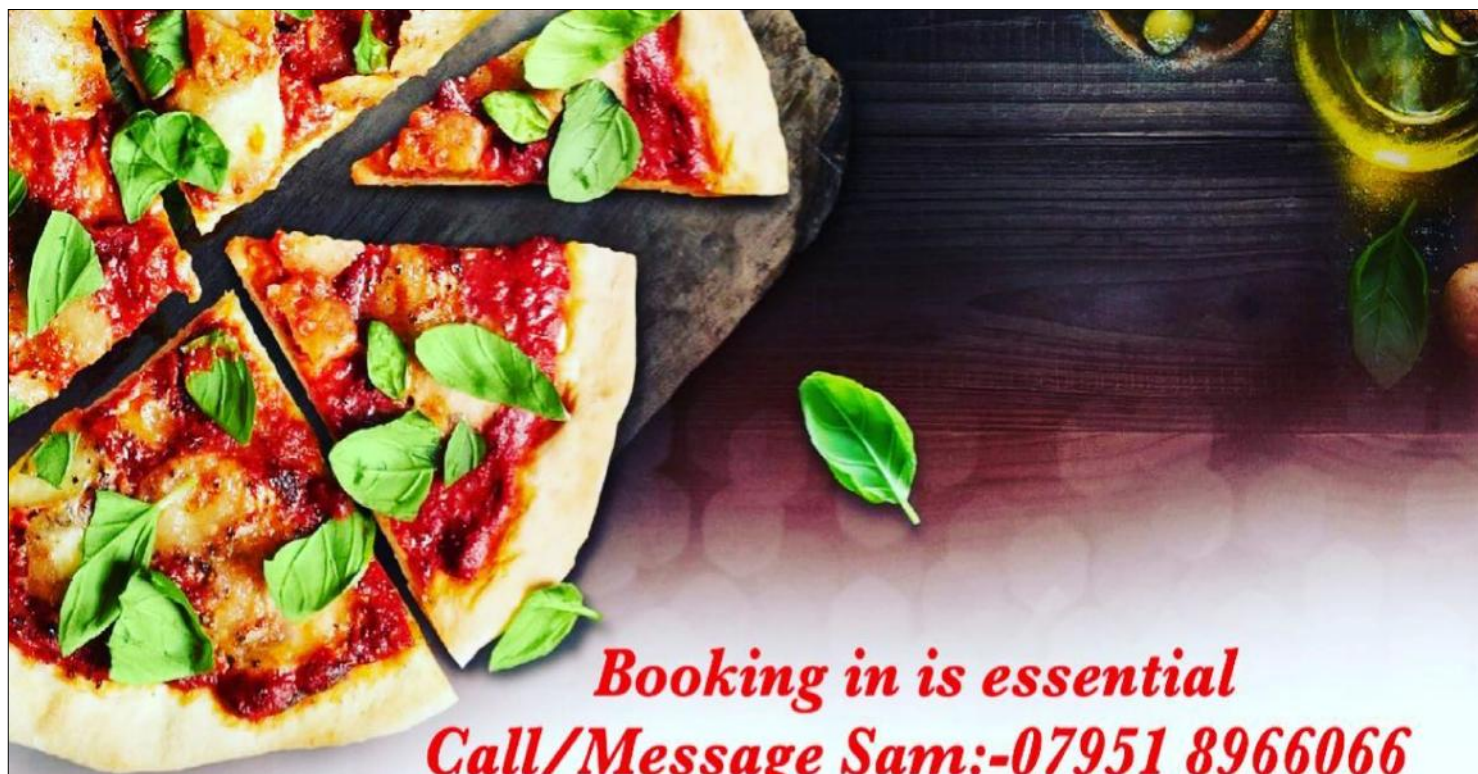
When you imagine a school field, what do you think of? Beautiful apple trees casting shadows over our silky soft grass? Children running and skipping everywhere? A clean and safe environment? Sadly, we must stop you there, because unfortunately, at the moment that is not the case.

During a recent litter pick, children in our school collected more than 6 full bin bags of litter, all from on and around our school field! We were very grateful for the help of 'Keep Wales Tidy' and Cllr Benbow Jones for helping us with our litter pick, but we could not help thinking that a school field should not be quite so untidy in the first place! The litter we collected was not only unsightly, it was also unsafe for the children in our school.

We would like to ask for your help in keeping the area around our school clean and tidy. If you are around our school, please use the bins provided or take your rubbish home. Encourage your friends to do the same. You are our last chance for a safe school field to use whenever, whether its sports day, or just to play, so please help us!



*Yours sincerely, **The children from Ysgol Acrefair***



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We are continuing with community support with any requests we are able to fulfil with covid restrictions in place and keeping a small volunteer bubble

Lunch Club and Changing Seasons Club

These have reopened following Welsh Government guidelines on the numbers of those attending. It is essential to book for Lunch Club by Mondays as this helps us with our planning but we can accommodate an extra place now and again, please ring **Kris 07531310335** to book in, thank you.



Men's Shed Busy Thursdays

This is on every Thursday from 10am to 2pm, all men welcome regardless of ability. Individuals may come and volunteer inside or out with small projects if you wish to break the boredom or just pop in for a cuppa and chat contact **Kris 07531 310335**

Gardening Group

This is all outside anyone interested please contact **Kris 07531 310335**

There are many little jobs that can be accomplished quickly. We are looking for people to assist with grass cutting, weeding, planting and organising the outside seating area, helping for just half an hour can make a big difference.

Eco group

Area litter picking can be arranged and equipment borrowed if anyone individually or in a small group would care to take up the challenge of keeping our villages tidy contact **Kris 07531 310335**

Thursdays from 12-2pm Photo Copying

We are able to offer photo copying for black and white up to paper size A3 and possibly colour to size A4 for a donation

Community Support

We are a small group of volunteers at the CRNCA centre and we are doing what we can to help those who need support please do not hesitate to contact



us and we will see what we can do or sign post you to those who are better able to help.

Big thank you to **Emma, Morrisons Community Champion** who made a socially distanced visit last week with a welcome donation and to give us a hand getting ready for our weekly Lunch Club.



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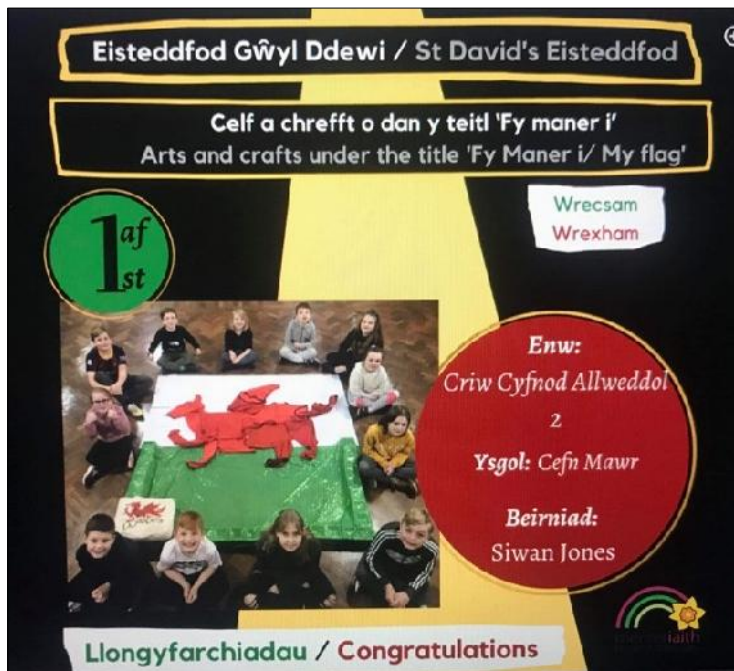
We have had a very busy term here at Ysgol Cefn Mawr, with the pupils all settling back into school and have enjoyed learning lots of new things. We have created new challenge areas in each class for the children to stretch their brains and deepen their learning.

The classes are busy working towards the New Curriculum in Wales and have created their own displays to showcase their learning from the four purposes. *To be Healthy Confident individuals, Ambitious Capable Learners, Enterprising Creative Contributors and Ethical Informed Citizens.* The whole school has worked on wellbeing and kindness themes and completed cross curricular work from the book, *The Boy, the mole, the fox and the horse.*

During the lockdown pupils had the opportunity to take part in Wrexham's Eisteddfod Gwyl Dewi / St David's Day Eisteddfod at home. Congratulations to Harrison, Year 5, who won first prize in the poetry and art competition, Freya, Year 3, who came second in the poetry competition and Jake Year 3, who came third in the poetry competition. The school were the overall winners of the arts and craft competition under the title 'Fy Maner i/My Flaf'. This was to create a flag in a medium of their choice. We are very proud of the schools success in the competition.

We held a Site Safety Poster competition open to all pupils this half term, to encourage all people on site to walk their bike/scooter on the school grounds. We received many super entries which the pupils completed at home. Staff judged the entries, and the prize winners were awarded with their prizes at the end of the half term. Congratulations to Oliver Year 1 and Isabel Year 3 who won first prize in their key stages each receiving a scooter, runners up received helmets, 3rd prize winners received bike accessories and 4th prize gloves. All entrants received a small gift for taking part.

The Headteacher and Assistant Headteacher completed a learning walk visiting each class. The children were busy and were very happy to share their work and gave us a guided tour of their classrooms. It was lovely to see the pupils relaxed and happy and getting back to normal school routines. We are proud of their achievements and resilience during the past 12 months.



The children continue to enjoy extra PE lessons with our Sports Coach, Rob Evans. In addition, each class has received a morning of Wellbeing and Fitness Sessions with Mr Evans. The children especially enjoyed a large-scale team game 'Hungry Hippos' and tennis this term.

Pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have been receiving Creative PE workshops with Liam Jones, Sports Development Officer. Thank you to all our families for completing questionnaires and their positive feedback regarding our provision during lockdown. We appreciate your support.



Dear All, Fortunately, we were successful in our bidding at the auction to retain the Ebenezer for our Community. Unfortunately, it has been extremely difficult to find the finance for such after COVID 19 lockdowns and loss of business for over 50% of the past year. However, my family pitched in, and we have been able to pay WCBC in full and are asking for the keys as our respective solicitors complete the conveyance.

Our general ethos remains the same, the building is to be reinstated as the Flag Ship of the Cefn Mawr Conservation Area at the centre of the Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site, to bring about Economic Regeneration through Sustainable Tourism Development. The name of our campaign remains the same, "Back to the Future for the Cefn & Cefn Mawr".

Please bear in mind that when we say this, this includes all the villages in the central section of the WHS where we live. This will result in increased business activity, greater employment opportunity, and more jobs for our local people.

We and our team at the Holly Bush Inn know that our pub will only do as well as the community around it, so the more we can do for our community the better it will be for our pub, the Holly Bush Inn.

We would like as much community involvement as possible, and we want to hear everyone's input, consultation is important, and everyone should be allowed to have their say. We hold regular PKC Group meetings at the Holly Bush Inn on the second Tuesday of each month and all are welcome. These are informal social gatherings to share ideas between ourselves about what we can do around our area to make things better. Most, if not all the ideas that the PKC Group are involved with have come from these meetings, and everyone's input is welcome. The PKC Group is a think-tank if you like made up of ordinary people with a common aim of improving our community.

As for the Ebenezer there is no set agenda and we are open to ideas and proposals, the only thing we must bear in mind is that it is now up to us to make a go of this. Whatever we do, must be commercially viable at the end of the day, as it will have to stand on its own feet. We have done this with the Holly Bush Inn after years of neglect by the breweries and now intend to do similar with the Ebenezer and hope many of you will be joining us.

At this point we doubt there will be any quick fixes and there is a lot of work required on the Ebenezer to get it up to a suitable standard for a flag ship of our community, again after years of little or no maintenance, since the closure of the building, as we took on the Holly Bush Inn back in 2012/13. We have been through a lot together and still we are going, and fully intend to get where we need to be, where we are contributing towards a better future for our children and grandchildren. We fully support the Welsh Government with the Future Generations Act 2015 and the drive towards a Circular Economy, Zero Waste and minimal CO2 production. This will be practiced in all we do as in our current business activity. We must take responsibility for our area and actions and be custodians of such to ensure that we leave it in a better condition than we inherited it in. The good news is, we can do this together. See you all soon.



Regards, David Metcalfe, Cefn Community Councillor & Dee Valley AONB Champion.

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