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**LITTER CHAMPION NOMINATION**

We're incredibly proud to share that local resident Jacqueline Palmer from the #StayOnSide Cefn Litter Pickers Group has been shortlisted for the Volunteer of the Year Award at the 2025 Keep Wales Tidy - Cadwch Gymru'n Daclus, Tidy Wales Awards. A dedicated community volunteer, she is making a remarkable difference in Cefn Mawr and surrounding areas, spending an astonishing 30 to 40 hours every week ensuring the streets remain clean and litter-free. Her dedication to keeping Cefn and the surrounding areas clean, green, and community focused is an inspiration for us all. Her nomination stands out among hundreds of others across Wales a true testament to the impact she's making. Well done and thank you Jacqueline.



Another plant support finds a new home.

**BATON OF HOPE TOUR**

Show your support with Garden Batons - Plant supports made as a fundraiser for the Baton of Hope tour. These quiet but powerful symbols of remembrance, conversation and hope are popping up in gardens and planters along the route. You can pick yours up locally to display your support and spread the message of hope. Thanks to sponsorship

from the Little Green Paint Company and Bradlite Paints for their One Can Matt in RAL 5015 we have been able to roll this out to community groups and locals. If you would like to get involved, please keep an eye out for Making Sessions, via the Facebook page **Baton of Hope Wrexham** or Instagram

**@wrexhamgardenbatonofhope**

The next sessions planned locally are Sundays 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> August from 2pm-6pm at the *Ebenezer Gallery*, Cefn Mawr. All materials are provided, light sanding, painting and writing activities. Put the 4<sup>th</sup> of October in your diary, come out and support those carrying the baton, whose lives have been touched by suicide. It's not easy, but we need to get talking about suicide and get rid of the stigma around it. **See page 4 for Tour Information.** Contact Emma if your community group would like a visit to join in the making on **07590 455608**



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I would also love to introduce our new Services & Community Manager, Lucinda who has recently joined our store.

Please feel free to reach out to either of us on: email [6450@tesco.com](mailto:6450@tesco.com). Have a great summer.

**David - Tesco Cefn Mawr Community Champion**

## EDITORS COMMENTS

What a busy time it has been for the last couple of months, hope you are all getting ready to have a break and take time to look after yourselves.



It has been great to see all the schools taking part in the #StayOnSide schools project and we wish all the Year 6 pupils every success as they move onto the 'Big' school for the next stage in their learning journey, you have all be amazing ambassadors for your schools.

We have been working with the team at St John's graveyard and what a transformation, if you have a family grave there hopefully you will now be able to tend it.

Please support our advertisers and where possible do shop locally, it makes a difference when we support our local businesses and it is lovely to see someone you know when shopping.

We have two totally different projects 'Navigating Through Time' in September looking at our local history and 'The Baton of Hope Tour' in October raising awareness of suicide and its impacts on families details of both are inside this edition. Please do get in touch with me on **07532 780007** or email me at: [tyger@tygertactics.com](mailto:tyger@tygertactics.com)

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## BRINGING HOPE TO OUR STREETS: BATON OF HOPE COMING TO WREXHAM THIS OCTOBER

Something special is coming to Wrexham this October, and it's starting right here in our rural communities. On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025, the Baton of Hope – the biggest suicide prevention initiative in the UK – will arrive in Wrexham as part of its UK-wide tour.

The Baton will start its journey by travelling through *Chirk, Trevor and Cefn Mawr*, carried by local Baton Bearers who have all been impacted by suicide. This isn't just any walk of Hope - the Baton represents a growing movement to open up conversations, bring people together and celebrate the power of community spirit.

### What's Happening Locally

As the Baton makes its way from Chirk to Wrexham, local Hope Hubs will pop up along the route – open, welcoming spaces where the community can come together to enjoy music, activities, performances, and cuppas with a side of good conversation. Hope Hub venues include **Caffi Wylfa** and **Chirk Castle**, and

**Chapel Tea Rooms** in **Trevor**, all featuring live performances, guest speakers and refreshments. Everything is free to attend and open to everyone, whether you want to walk a bit of the route or simply come or show your support at one of our Hope Hubs. Find out more here:

[www.advancebrighterfutures.co.uk/batonofhope-wrexham](http://www.advancebrighterfutures.co.uk/batonofhope-wrexham)

Need support? If you, or someone you know, needs to talk, the following services offer free, confidential support 24/7:

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## YSGOL MIN Y DDOL NEWS

We are nearing the end of another successful year. Ysgol Min y Ddôl has been busy supporting both our local and wider community this term. The older pupils, along with the LA Low Carbon Emission Team and Andrew Ruscoe, did a litter pick around Cefn Mawr. 11 bags of rubbish were collected so a huge thanks to all involved. Our years 3 and 4 went on their first overnight residential to Glan Llyn where they got the chance to canoe, wall climb and do some archery. They all had a great time and used their Welsh skills brilliantly, da iawn chi! Our school choir had an amazing performance in the Welsh Cluster School's Concert at The Stiwt. All schools came together to sing and entertain the full theatre, and to celebrate their heritage and pride in being Welsh. The evening was a huge success and raised much needed funds for the Wrexham Eisteddfod 2025. We have also made good use of the new sport facilities on the MUGA. Cefn Community Council have very generously allowed us to use the space to play some friendly football matches against local schools and also to host our 2 day sport's day. Every event was a huge success and it was heart-warming to see that the changes have meant easier access for many families. Our Ffrindiau have just hosted an excellent Summer Fair, where we had a bouncy tractor, a hot air balloon, soak the teacher stocks, hook a duck, tombola, ballot boxes to vote for the best in show and lots of local businesses. The theme was 'Farming and Agriculture' and each class contributed brilliantly to its success. Classes grew plants, vegetables, herbs and fruits to sell while others made milk shakes, sausage rolls and ice cream. All the profits are theirs in order for them to buy what they'd like for their classes. A real entrepreneurship and team effort! We wish all our 6 pupils the very best as they venture to pastures new. They are a wonderful bunch and will be greatly missed. Pob hwyl i chi gyd!



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## Q&A

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### Dad says he was pressured by salesman into buying bariatric bed and chair!

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**A:** As with all issues arising out of contractual matters, it would be advisable to ask a solicitor to check the paperwork your father signed. There is a cooling off period applicable to all consumer contracts which are concluded away from business premises. The Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013 provides a consumer with a right to cancel a contract for goods and services made during a visit by a trader (whether unsolicited or solicited) to the consumer's home, place of work, the home of another person or on an excursion organised by the trader away from his business premises.

This right to cancel can be exercised at any time during a cooling off period of 14 days from receipt of notice of the right to cancel from the trader. If, however, the goods were custom-made or personalized, then the right to cancel may not apply. These regulations are designed to provide greater protection for consumers and ensure they are less at risk from disreputable traders who previously were able to exploit the different treatment of solicited and unsolicited visits under earlier regulations. However, Notice of Cancellation must be provided by the consumer in writing, usually within the cooling off period.

*This question has been answered by Lucy Spilsbury, 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](http://www.ghplegal.com) and use the contact us form, or call us on: Wrexham 01978 291456, Llangollen 01978 860313, Oswestry 01691 659194*



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To further promote the benefits of Nordic Walking, we are taking part in a wider campaign by the Wrexham Cultural Commission with an event to be held in Wrexham later in the year; so watch this space. Our six Nationally Qualified Nordic Walking Instructors offer training for new members every month; the next available session being on *Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September* at Erddig. So, if you are looking to improve your overall fitness and wellbeing then get in touch via our website [www.erddignordicwalkers.co.uk](http://www.erddignordicwalkers.co.uk)

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Welcome at the Community Hall. **Harmonising the Soul: A journey through Gregorian Chant** Discover the ethereal realm of Gregorian chant in this immersive workshop led by Fr Lee. Experience the beauty and serenity of this timeless music as we journey back to uncover these sacred sounds. Learn and sing the very chants once sung by monks at Valle Crucis Abbey, Llangollen. Whether you are a seasoned singer or not, all are welcome! Last Fri of every month, 7pm. Contact Fr Lee to book your place. Next workshop: Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

**Ales for Arnold** Come celebrate the patron saint of beer, Saint Arnold of Soissons, with a free beer tasting at St Collen's Church on Thursday 14th Aug (his feast day), 6-8pm. A great opportunity to connect with the community and enjoy a variety of local brews. Who was Saint Arnold? He was an 11th century monk known for his miraculous works and deep faith. He encouraged people to drink beer instead of unsafe water, making a significant impact on public health. Join us as we toast his legacy and celebrate the role of beer in history and culture. On the north-west side of our hammer-beam roof, check out the tale, in three amusing scenes, of the man with beer barrels enjoying a merry journey of indulgence. A medieval art of balancing fun and folly. While we celebrate the rich tradition of brewing, we encourage everyone to drink responsibly and in moderation at this event.

**Singing the Gospel: A special service celebrating the legacy of Sankey & Moody.** Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Aug, 11am @St Collen's. Join us for a special service celebrating the 185<sup>th</sup> birthday of gospel hymn writer and singer Ira D. Sankey (b.28<sup>th</sup> Aug 1840) who, with D. L. Moody, transformed church music across the world. Featuring gospel hymns and dramatic recreations of Sankey & Moody's powerful revival meetings. Come dressed in 19th century style if you wish and experience the power of revival hymns. Listen out for St Collen's on BBC Radio Wales. We'll be featured in the Celebration service on Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Aug, with a special focus on Sankey & Moody as part of the broadcast. **Town Civic Service** A special service bringing 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. Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Sept, 10.30am at St Collen's.

**Hammerbeams & Harmonies A Roof Raising Revue.** Fun, frolics and flamboyant foolishness, The Collen Players return in roaring revival on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct, 6.30pm at St Collen's Community Hall. Join us for a cavalcade of capers, comedy and curious characters in this Old Time Music Hall & Variety Show! Tickets available soon. £15 with supper! Proceeds towards St Collen's roof restoration appeal. Raffle and cash bar on the night. **Pet Blessing Service** Join us for a joyful and heartwarming service in honour of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. Bring your beloved pets or a photo of a deceased pet as we give thanks for all creatures great and small. Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2pm at St Collen's church. **A Time to Remember All Souls' Service:** A gentle and reflective service as we remember those we love but see no longer. Whether your loss is recent or long ago, this quiet gathering offers a space to pause, give thanks and light a candle.

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## 1<sup>st</sup> LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES

This term the brownies have been busy working on badges at home from Grow your Own, Paintings to Space. From completing the badges at home along with the unit meeting activities we have been completing some of the girls have earned their theme awards. A few of the girls have earned their Brownie Bronze award. Well done girls. This term; the brownies have completed their Feel Good Stage 2 Badge.

A parent kindly offered to run a session on first aid completing the first aid badges

We have had 3 Brownies make their promise down at river side park. We finished off the term with a bouldering session at TNR Outdoors which the girls all enjoyed. 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](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus)

Or contact Alison Fenn on **07872924888**

## 1<sup>st</sup> LLANGOLLEN RAINBOWS

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**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.

**Birthdays:** know someone who is going to celebrate their **90<sup>th</sup>** or **100<sup>th</sup>** birthdays? Please email [admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk)

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

**Trefynant Cemetery:** we respectfully ask when visiting the Cemetery to please dispose of your rubbish in the bins provided. **Youth Club:** Our Community Council funded Youth Club at George Edwards Hall runs every **Monday and Wednesday from 6pm – 8pm** during term time, offering a great range of activities including free WiFi. We're also proud to host the **Young Carers Group** at this facility. **Please note** The Youth Club is closed for the summer and closes during half-term holidays.

**Cefn & Acrefair Playwork Project:** our popular Community Council funded playwork project runs in **Cefn Plas Kynaston Play Park on Mondays and Wednesdays** and **Lancaster Terrace Play Park Acrefair on Fridays** 11am - 1pm in all weathers for children 5+ for all school holidays bar Christmas and February. **Community Litter Picks:** we do regular litter pick throughout the community from spring to early winter Our litter pickers are local volunteers giving up some of their free time for a good cause. We are also a litter pick hub and can long term, loan equipment and keep you supplied with bags etc. Call **01978 821298** or email:

[admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk)

**Period Hub** Free sanitary products now available at the George Edwards Hall, in the reception area, please take what you need.

**Community in Bloom Competition** We are delighted to announce that this year's Community in Bloom competition received a record number of entries, with 26 applications! Judges Ryan and Paul from Derwen College visited all the gardens, accompanied by our Chair, Mr. Phil Vaughan, who assisted with marshalling. The Awards Ceremony is provisionally

scheduled to take place at George Edwards Hall in October, we are awaiting confirmation of the final date.

**VE Day & VJ Day Commemorations:** We will be marking VJ Day, a Service will be held on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> August, at the Cenotaph at 11:55am, led by Reverend Katherine Tiltman. All official dates and details will be advertised on our Facebook page: Cefn Community Council. **10 Years of Impact #StayOnSide Schools Project 2025** The Schools Project has officially concluded marking a decade of inspiring and empowering young people across Wrexham and the second consecutive year is was delivered here thanks to Cefn Community Council and Andrew Roscoe our Community Development Officer. This year's programme was completely free of charge for participating schools, running over a 7-week period. It delivered high-impact, structured sessions through the sports of football, futsal, and for the first time handball, alongside personal development, reflection, and community celebration. Hailed as "the best one yet", this year's programme stood out not just for its sporting content, but for how it brought to life real community stories including that of local champion Jacqueline Palmer, Her commitment inspired pupils to think about pride of place and personal responsibility.



### CEFN COMMUNITY AGENT

Hello everyone. As your local Community Agent for Plas Madoc, Cefn Mawr, Acrefair, Rhosymedre, Newbridge, and nearby areas, I'm here to help you stay connected,

supported, and involved. Whether it's joining a group, getting help with forms, or simply having a chat over a cuppa, there's something here for you.

#### **New Working Hours from September 2025**

*Mon: 9:00am – 12:00pm Tues: 8:30am – 2:30pm*

*Wed: 8:30am – 3:00pm Thur: 12:00pm – 4:00pm*

**Chat and Chill Coffee Mornings** Every Wednesday, 9:30am–11:30am at the George Edwards Hall Come along for tea, coffee, and a bacon bap in a warm and welcoming space. There's also bingo, crafts, board games—or just time to relax and chat.

**Music Afternoon with The Double Focus Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 4–8pm** at the George Edwards Hall Live music from **The Double Focus**, plus a fun quiz to get things started! Tickets: £10 – includes entertainment and a tasty buffet. Bring your own drinks and glasses!

#### **Trip to Bury Market – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

Join us for a fantastic day out to Bury Market with transport provided. It's a great way to shop, socialise, and enjoy yourself. Booking opens soon – don't miss out! **NEW! Connecting Cefn – Friendship Group**

#### **Launching Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

First Thursday of every month, 3–4pm at Cefn Mawr Library. This friendly, relaxed group is perfect if you'd like to meet new people, share stories or special items, or simply have a chat over a cuppa.

**Drop-In Help Sessions** *First Thursday of every month, 2–3pm* at Cefn Mawr Library. Need help with forms, Blue Badges, bus passes, or local services? Just drop in no appointment needed! If you're over 50 and living in the area, you're always welcome at any of our events. I'm here to help however I can. Tel: **07925 048711** or email me on [agent@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:agent@cefncommunitycouncil.gov.uk) *Let's stay connected and keep our community strong.* Warm regards, **Donna Thornley** Community Agent.

# Crane Medical Centre

Crane St, Cefn Mawr, LL14 3AB;  
Tel: 01978 810844

## News Update



Welcome to the Twenty Second edition of Crane News.

We hope you are all well and enjoying this sunny weather.

You may have seen or heard about the recent measles cases in Liverpool and Manchester in the media. Measles is easily preventable by having the measles vaccine which is part of the MMR vaccine given in childhood. No vaccine is 100% effective, but this vaccine is 97% effective at preventing measles. It is rare to catch measles if you are vaccinated but if you do then the symptoms are likely to be milder, and you are much less likely to get complications. Measles is caused by a virus and is highly contagious. After being infected you are infectious and likely to pass on the infection from about four days before the rash develops and for four days after the rash appears.

Complications from catching measles can include pneumonia, bronchitis, encephalitis (swelling of the brain) and subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE) which is a fatal condition involving the central nervous system. The complications are rare but often measles can be associated with complications to the eyes resulting in corneal damage and optic neuritis which can mean permanent reduced vision even blindness.

Therefore, it is very important that all children receive their MMR vaccination. Measles is a serious infection and can be a life-threatening disease. It cannot be prevented by diet or other changes to lifestyle. To arrange for an MMR vaccine or to discuss this vaccine with a health professional please contact the surgery.

### **ROWLANDS PHARMACY - CEFN MAWR** Medical Hall, Crane Street, Cefn Mawr LL14 3AD

**Open:** Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm and 2 to 5.30pm.

**Sat** 9am to 1pm. **Tel:** 01978 822600

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### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month from 10am to 12 noon. **Chirk Community Hospital, St John's St,**

**Chirk LL14 5LN** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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## LLANGOLLEN MUSEUM NEWS

It is now five months since the Museum re-opened its doors, following the installation of the new roof and other improvements. The new exhibition featuring items from an archaeological dig by the *Clywdian Range Archaeology Group* at a rare Bronze Age ritual site in Bryneglwys, is on display. Also on display, in our item of the month cabinet is a Mesolithic hand axe found by Gill Henry. The hand axe is still being researched, but so far it is considered to be at least 7,000 years old. Axes like these would've been an important tool in the everyday lives of the people of the period, with the flint possibly being imported from elsewhere. Other donations include items from Dafydd Rowlands Hughes, featuring, printing blocks used for the Llangollen Advertiser, sales catalogues for Plas Newydd 1932, Llantysilio Hall 1933, Bryntysilio 1939, Abbey Dingle 1948 and Bache Issa 1953, and an embossing stamp for the Llangollen General Cemetery Company. Sally Knight's talk in May about her grandmother, one of the early pioneering female pilots, was well attended, as was Humphrey Gibson's presentation in June, about coal mining in Denbighshire. We would like to thank them both for their fascinating insights into these stories. Sadly, Lisa Smith's talk on the 28<sup>th</sup> July, about the Role of Women in Anglo Saxon Literature, had to be postponed. Watch out on our Facebook page for the re-scheduling of this. *August 27<sup>th</sup>* will see Sam Thomson giving his third and final talk about the Romans in Britain – this time looking at the Decline and Fall. Sam's first two talks proved very popular, so do come along and discover how the Roman domination in Britain and Wales ended. On *September 24<sup>th</sup>* Peter Dickinson will be talking about the anniversary of the heritage railway at Llangollen and, on *October 29<sup>th</sup>*, Dr Pauline Clarke will give a presentation entitled the Material Culture of Offa's Dyke. Talks will all start at 7:00pm. Tickets for all are £3 at the door, refreshments will be provided. July in the gallery hosted a collection of paintings from Pen y Cae Art Group. August is featuring a display of work by Llangollen Art Group, followed by an exhibition by Llangollen Railway in September, to tie in with the heritage railway anniversary celebrations. The October exhibition will be another photography exhibition by Emma Petruzzelli. Other work that has been recently completed at the Museum includes the installation of a new CCTV security system and the laying of new tarmac on the car park (many thanks to Cefn Mawr Driveways for doing such an excellent job and to the Lottery Heritage for the funding). Over the next month, we will be fitting security fencing on either side of the Museum building and installing some external storage in the corner of the car parking area, utilising funds granted by the Clocaenog Wind Farm Fund. The next three months will see the installation of a new noticeboard on the front of the Museum, fitting of a new/rejuvenation of the existing, front entrance door and a total website rebuild. Unfortunately, setting up the *Young Archaeologist's Club* has been delayed slightly. The Clywd and Dee Valley YAC has now been officially approved by the Council for British Archaeology. Training courses in First Aid and Child Protection are being arranged for all of the leaders and the first meeting should be around the end of September. YAC members take part in all sorts of exciting, hands-on activities, such as

excavation, working with artefacts, visiting historical sites and undertaking experimental archaeology. Emails are being sent to schools and groups, if you are interested in joining, please email [cdv.yac@gmail.com](mailto:cdv.yac@gmail.com).

A special visitor to the Museum in mid July. Was Martin Horspool, a grandson of the Horspool family who opened the Dorothy Cinema in 1932, visiting from New Zealand. He came in to look at old photos of the cinema given to the Museum many years ago by he and his brother. As he was looking at the photos he was reminiscing about his childhood and naming people in the photos. All this was of real interest to the curators on duty, He was also looking for newspaper articles about his mother, a very good singer who had competed in the National and International Eisteddfodau. Through searching our archives, we were able to find a piece in an old Llangollen News. If you would like to find out more about any of your relatives and where they lived in Llan surrounding areas, then call in and speak to one of the Curators or email the Museum on [enquiries@llangollenmuseum.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@llangollenmuseum.org.uk). 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/>. 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 at [gilliansmith2@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gilliansmith2@hotmail.co.uk) or on **07516 023524**.

## CEFN AND DISTRICT MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Cefn Mawr Museum continues to be open through the summer. Our regular hours are 10am to 12.30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Other times by appointment. We are usually closed on Bank Holidays. We have a wide range of displays of life in Cefn and district — the home, Cefn shops, local churches and chapels, schools, the Dee Valley, industry, transport, sport, and a special room for music and arts. We have a special exhibition, currently commemorating the 80th anniversaries of VE Day and VJ Day. If you've not been in to see us (the entry door is at the back of the George Edwards Hall), please come along and explore the heritage that is Cefn Mawr.

The Historical Society takes a short break in August, but resumes with the *September 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting*, which will be a talk by Jenny Hughes on 'Drovers'. *The October 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting* is another talk by Graham Edwards on 'Patagonia, Part 3'. Our Meetings are held on the last Friday of the month at 2pm in the George Edwards Hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

## 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**. [www.clwydfhs.org.uk](http://www.clwydfhs.org.uk)



## TREVOR VISITOR CENTRE NEWS

Let's Play outdoor fun with games and toys every Tuesday and Thursday throughout August, from 11am – 2pm. Outdoor Games and Toys will be available for young families to enjoy. We also have some weekend volunteer Aqueduct Ranger opportunities available, if you like walk and being outdoors that take a look at [www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/volunteering](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/volunteering) or pop in and a chat with us. The Visitor Centre is open daily 10am – 4pm until the end of October. Do check our Facebook page for upcoming events and activities call us on **01978 822912** or visit our website [TrevorVisitor.Centre@canalrivertrust.org.uk](mailto:TrevorVisitor.Centre@canalrivertrust.org.uk)



## THE TOWERS DAY NURSERY

Firstly, we would like to send best wishes to the children who have left to start school, we have really enjoyed having in the nursery.

The children have been busy in the nursery garden lately; harvesting and eating the produce that we have grown. We have had tomatoes and peppers from our new greenhouse and courgettes from our vegetable plot. We are currently in the process of creating a new sensory area for babies and the younger children to enjoy and be stimulated. The nursery have recently renewed their Tiny Tums certificate and participating children have received stickers for their efforts at healthy eating. This



autumn we will have some new resources that gave children and staff the chance to enjoy more outdoor activities. We will be refurbished the nursery and will have lots of new natural resources and items that are made from wood; which are environmentally friendly. If you are interested in a nursery place, please do get in touch on **01978 822446** or contact us via Facebook to arrange a viewing.

## NEW DOT CINEMA



Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug Conclave, doors and bar 6.45pm, film begins 7.30pm. Tickets £6 scan the QR code to book or visit

Laura's Tearoom, Oak Street, Llangollen, cash only or visit

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/new-dot-cinema](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/new-dot-cinema)  
email: [newdotcinema@gmail.com](mailto:newdotcinema@gmail.com)

New Dot Cinema, Llangollen Town Hall, Castle Street Llangollen LL20 8NU



## TY MAWR COUNTRY PARK NEWS

Visiting Ty Mawr this summer?? Summer rock Challenge. Lets restart Cefn Mawr Rocks hide & seek game. Keep an eye out for hidden rocks. Please take a picture and share on Cefn Mawr Rocks Facebook page Then re-hide them for someone else to find, feel free to create and hide your own rocks **#CefnMawrRocks** to be written on the back. Keep a count of how many you find & rehide, let the fun begin!

The Park is open every day so do come and enjoy the countryside. Check our Facebook page **Ty Mawr Country park friends group** where we will post details of our pop up events and activities. Don't forget so save your fruit and veg for the animals. Please check to find out what their favourites are! We know the piggies love aubergines but who likes sweetcorn?



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## LLANGOLLEN RURAL COMMUNITY AGENT.

Hello, my name is Sarah Flaherty and I'm the Community Agent for Llangollen Rural I am here to support the over 50s, helping improve health and wellbeing. Able to signpost and refer to the appropriate services when needed like health and social care. Providing support and help with applying / renewing Blue Badges and bus passes. Lack of confidence and lonely or isolated? Let me know and let's see if there's anything I can do to help. Please contact me on **07378 970628** or email: [llangollenruralcommunityagent@avow.org](mailto:llangollenruralcommunityagent@avow.org)  
I work **Tues & Wed 8:30-2:30 & Thurs 8:30- 12:30.**



## GARTH & TREVOR OVER 50S GROUP

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

We meet between 2-4pm every second and fourth Wednesday of each month, in **Trevor Community Centre**, enjoying a wide range of social activities and of course, we always have time for a laugh, a chat, a cuppa and Tina's scrummy, naughty but nice homemade cake! This is a friendly group that welcomes everyone from the area.



## FRONCYSYLLTE DARBY & JOAN CLUB

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

## ST DAVID'S CHURCH YARD FRONCYSYLLTE

Five years ago, this summer, Sr David's churchyard was overgrown resulting in some distress to those wishing to visit the graves of their loved ones. For the last five years, volunteers have worked together to keep the churchyard tidy. Some focus on their family plots, some visit as and when they can and some join up once a month for a community work-in. We have also successfully secured funding for wildlife planters and an additional bench making the grounds more accessible. Everyone has worked together and the outcome has been excellent. There have been challenges but overall, we have managed to keep the churchyard looking much better. We are always looking for new volunteers. Help can be given to find the graves of loved ones. You can visit the churchyard to work on a family grave as a time that suits you. If you would like to meet up with others, we meet in the churchyard on the last Saturday of the month from 10am to 12 noon. If you would like more information about the churchyard activities, please contact Keith Sinclair on [keithsinclairLRCC@gmail.com](mailto:keithsinclairLRCC@gmail.com)



## TREVOR BEAVERS & CUBS

We have been making the most of the lovely warm weather and being out and about with the group. The **Beaver Section** have gained badges for Health and Fitness, My Outdoors, Community such as Litter picking, Water Safety, Builder, Faith and more. The **Cub Section**. Badge work Gardening, Shelter Building. They Raised over £600 on a Sponsored Walk, also Ran a Fun Night with some help from the Beavers, Raising well over £300. These monies paid for most of their Summer Camp.

Both Sections went to camp in Hawarden, Beavers for 1 night and Cubs for the weekend, taking part in such activities as Go Cart Racing, Tomahawk throwing, Orienteering and climbing, camp fire singing plus many more. The weather wasn't wonderful, but made no difference at all.

We all enjoyed the Colwyn Bay Zoo except for the weather, it was quite cold and wet, but the children enjoyed it and we do hope to visit there again.

On the last evening before the holidays we all enjoyed the famous water fight, where the adults were definitely soaked more than the children. This is always great fun with a lot of laughter.

Just to remind everyone we have vacancies in the Beaver section, Boys and Girls age 6-8 years. Cubs is looking pretty full at the moment but is worth a call to check with me.

**NEWS** we are starting a **Scout Section**, for Boys and Girls age 10 and a half years to age 14 years. From Friday September 12<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm fortnightly until we get up and running. Meaning we can now take children on their Scout Journey from age 6-14 years !!

Anyone interested in their child joining the group. Or in fact anyone who would like to join us as a volunteer in any way, please contact me on **07939 476208**. 2 New Volunteers have just joined and really enjoy being involved.

Elaine Anderson. Group Lead Volunteer.

## FREE COURSES AT FRON COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Cooking with an Air Fryer** two sessions on Aug 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am –12pm.

**Introduction to Smartphones** two sessions on Aug 26<sup>th</sup> and Sept 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am-12pm. Fully funded for 19+ living in Wrexham and Flintshire.

Booking essential please call **01978 757524** or email [training@groundworksnorthwales.org.uk](mailto:training@groundworksnorthwales.org.uk)

## CEFN LIBRARY UPDATE

### What's on for Children

**Summer Reading Challenge** Children need to read 6 books over three visits to any county library between now and September 12th. There's even a draw for bigger prizes for those who complete the challenge this year.

**Summer crafts for kids** Every Friday in August for children aged 4-10. **Just drop in between 10-4:30pm**

**Summer in Wellies – 1:30-2:30pm Monday August 11<sup>th</sup>.** Groundworks are putting on a fun with nature event on other dates across the Wrexham libraries.

**Please contact us to book.**

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

### What's new for Adults

**Drop in with Donna.** Do you need help with filling in forms? Are you or someone you know over 50? Do you need advice on what's available to support them? Do come in to see **Cefn's Community Agent** from 2-3pm on the *first Thursday of the Month from September.*

**Cefn Remembers** Thanks to all those who came, particularly to our Maps and Monsanto sessions which were very popular. There's no meeting in August. **From September we'll be moving the time to 3-4pm on the first Thursday of the Month under the new name Connecting Cefn.** Refreshments provided. We love hearing your memories of local life. Do bring along items or photos to share. Donna, Cefn's Community Agent will be joining these new events as well representatives from Cefn Museum.

**Citizens Advice** is now twice a month in Cefn Mawr Library. The next drop in services are **1:30-4:30pm Monday 11 & 18<sup>th</sup> August, 8 & 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept, 13 & 27<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Bike Marking** North Wales Police will be providing on a free session outside the library from 3pm onwards in the holidays. **Date to be confirmed.**

**Adult book club** is on the last Thursday of the month from 2-3pm.

### 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

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## CHURCH NEWS



In the chaotic heaviness of what is going on now in this world around us with wars, politics, finance etc. which does affect us all, I can't express enough the joy shared in our family this weekend when our eldest grandson told us of his engagement to marry his truly lovely girlfriend. You've heard the expression, 'A marriage made in heaven', well, we certainly believe that to be so with this such well suited couple! As you might imagine, this wonderful news spread near and far within the first 24 hours, as friends and family joined in with the joy of this great celebration! It certainly broke the gloom and doom!

But we're told this wonderful, uncontainable joy can also be shared worldwide when the groom, Jesus, comes to meet His bride here on earth. He has promised that 'just as He left this earth, we will see Him return to collect His bride, and ALL will see Him!' Who is this bride? Those who have fought the fight of doubt and skepticism in their lives and have put their trust and faith in Jesus! He alone has won 'us' as His bride. He paid the price for us, suffering and overcoming our sin in our place on that horrendous cross. This was for all who have and will believe in Him.

Just as our 'lovely young couple' have started a new life together, discovering each other, so it is with Jesus. A new relationship and exciting adventure, as each day unfolds, 'one step at a time!

Would you like to know more? Join with us all at Café Church in the CRNCA on the 1st Sunday of every month at 10.15am where we learn and discuss more about getting to know Jesus over free cakes and cuppas.

Come along to our fun Social Evening 11 day later each month, at 7pm for a free buffet, with friends old and new! . . . . . Or telephone **Colin or Rowena** on **01978 824785**

### **RUABON METHODIST CHURCH**

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Princess Street, Llangollen LL20 8RD

**Sunday** Worship at 11am

Tel:**07927 144822** or visit our Facebook page.

### **CITY CHURCH LLANGOLLEN**

Brook Street, Llangollen LL20 8LS.

We meet on Sundays at 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.

Tel: **07957 728473**

email: [church@citychurchllangollen.org.uk](mailto:church@citychurchllangollen.org.uk)

### **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 together.

Please contact **Beulah Griffiths Church Warden** on **07539 229228**.

## **ST.MARY'S ANGLICAN CIW RUABON**

### **Sunday Services**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 9.30am Family Eucharist

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9.30am Choral Eucharist

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 9.30am Morning Prayer

Mission Area Service 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

Play and Pray 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Time to be confirmed.

Contact **Sue Tye 07591175936**.

**Aug 9<sup>th</sup>** Fun Day in church grounds mid day onwards B.B.Q Punch and Judy Stalls. **Sept 19<sup>th</sup>** Murder Mystery Evening 6pm at the Wynnstay Ruabon.

**Oct 12<sup>th</sup>** Joint (with Roman Catholics) Harvest Festival service 9.30am. **Oct 12<sup>th</sup>** Hot Pot supper 5pm.

## **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](http://www.strichardgwynparish.co.uk)

**Email:** [priestruabon@rcdwxm.org.uk](mailto: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:**

Vigil Mass, Holy Cross, Chirk - 6pm

Day of Obligation, Holy Cross, Llangollen - 10am

St. Mary's , Ruabon - 7pm

**Adoration and Rosary** on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each month.

## **LLANGOLLEN GROUP OF ANGLICAN CHURCHES**

### **ST COLLENS PARISH CHURCH**

Weekly **Mass and Communion** on **Sundays 11am**,

When there is a **5<sup>th</sup> 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 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, find peace in the Celtic way.

**Monthly Sound Baths @St Collen's:** 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*. Next Sound Bath on *Friday 1st August, 7pm*.

**Harvest Festival.** Celebrate harvest with us as we give thanks for the gifts of the earth and the work of human hands. Donations of non-perishable food items for *Llangollen Foodshare* are warmly welcome. Free soup and a roll lunch afterwards. *Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 11am* at St Collen's.

### **TREVOR PARISH CHURCH**

Trevor LL20 7TL

**Sunday Morning Prayer** at Trevor Church every Sunday at 9.30 am. We have Holy Communion on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. When there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday we have a combined service in St Collen's Llangollen at 11am.

Looking for that special piece of art to enrich your home, come and have a mooch around our 8 gallery spaces. The work varies each month with regular exhibition updates.

**Keith Roberts** - London based artist, Keith has strong connections with Llangollen we are honored to exhibit his latest collection **Jack Drum's Entertainment** which uses the human form in a mythological guise. (One for those who like intrigue) **Edward Bell** - creator of some of David Bowie's album covers - a couple of pieces to state his presence. **Paul Munroe** - last chance to view these these exquisite abstract sea scapes and boats.

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## COMMUNITY WELLNESS SESSIONS

We are offering a free, monthly drop-in mental health and wellbeing session on the third Thursday of the month at the **George Edwards Hall, Cefn Mawr**. The next session is the **21<sup>st</sup> August 10am-2pm**

We hope to be able to offer weekly community sessions again in addition to group and one to one support later this autumn. From September we will be starting a pilot with Caritas Surgery and the Canal and River Trust so there will be lots of exciting news moving forwards. We are also just about to launch our podcast with links on our website coming soon For news people can sign up to receive updates on our website <https://community-wellness.co.uk/> or follow our Facebook or Instagram page.

Please contact us on

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## CRNCA BITS 'N BOBS SALE & GARDEN MAINTENANCE DAY

At The Activity Centre,  
Bro Gwilym, Cefn Mawr LL14 3PA

Saturday 16th August from 10am to 2pm  
Refreshments available.

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### BARBERSHOP

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### OPENING TIMES

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Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Thursday 9am - 6pm

Friday 9am - 5pm

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**MANWEB / Scottish Power** 0845 2722424  
**Welsh Water** 0800 0520130  
**Cefn Community Council** 01978 821298  
**ACAS** 0300 123 1100  
**Age UK:** 0800 169 6565  
**Alzheimer's Society** 0300 222 11 22  
**CALL Community Advice & Listening Line**  
0800 132 737 or text 'help' to 81066  
**Caritas Surgery Cefn Mawr** 01978 720450  
**Childline:** 0800 1111  
**Citizens Advice Wrexham (CA)** 0300 330 1178  
**CA Consumer Helpline** 0808 223 1133  
**CA National Grid line** 0300 330 1178  
**CA local office** please leave your name and  
number for a call back 01978 364639  
**Community Fire Safety** 01745 352693  
**Consumer Direct Wales** 08454 04 05 06  
**Crane Medical Centre** 01978 810844  
**Crime Stoppers** 0800 555 111  
**Dementia Help Line Wales** 0808 808 2235  
**District Nurses Plas Madoc** 0300 084 9777  
**DAN 24/7 Drug & Alcohol Help Line** 0808 808 2234  
or text 'DAN' to 81066  
**Domestic Abuse Safety Unit (DASU)**  
01978 310203  
**Domestic Violence Hotline:** 0808 2000 247  
**Floodline** 0845 9881188  
**Home Fire Safety Checks** 0800 169 1234  
**Live Fear Free** 0808 8010 800  
**Macmillan** 0808 808 00 00  
**Men's Advice Line** 01823 334244  
**MIND** 0300 123 3393 or text 86463  
**National Drugs Helpline** 0800 776600  
**No Panic** Don't suffer alone, pick up the phone.  
**0844 967 4848**  
**RNIB** 020 73881 266  
**Ruabon Medical Centre** 01978 823 717  
**Samaritans:** 116 123  
**SHOUT** 24/7 free (on major networks) text  
service for anyone in crisis any time. Text **85258**  
**The Mix Young Peoples Helpline** 0808 808 4994  
**Trevor Scout Group** 07939476208  
**Universal Credit** 0800 328 5644  
**Wales Domestic Abuse Helpline** 0808 8010800  
**Working Families** 0300 012 0312  
**Wrexham Care & Repair** 01978 268120  
**Wrexham Dog Warden** 01978 298989  
**Dog Warden Out of Hours** 01978 292055.  
**Acorn Kennels** 01948 662931  
**Wrexham Communities for Work**  
07976 200414 or 07976 200413  
**Wrexham Maelor Hospital** 01978 291100

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### OUT OF HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBERS

**WCBC Out of Hours** 01978 298989  
**Emergency Council Housing Repairs**  
**01978 298993**  
**Social Services** 0345 053 3116  
Emergency duty team  
**Highways** 01978 292055  
**Telecare** 01978 292055  
**Adult Social Care** 01978 292066  
Social care services for adults & older people  
**Children's Social Care** 01978 292039  
Social care services for children & families  
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meals, school transport  
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**Planning & Building Control** 01978 298994  
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**Pride in Your Streets** 01978 298989  
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Blue Badges, bus passes  
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**Wrexham Family Information Services**  
01978 292094  
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**Llys Y Craig Sheltered Housing**, Rock Road,  
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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  
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*On wall to left of front door.*  
**The George Edwards Hall**, Well St, Cefn LL14 3AE  
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**The Eagles**, Llangollen Road, Acrefair LL14 3RP  
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**Plas Madoc Housing Office**, 50 Peris, Acrefair LL14  
3LF  
All equipment is accessible 24/7 and is regularly  
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## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

### LLANGOLLEN FOOD SHARE HUB

Castle Street end of Market Street Car Park. If you have queries call **07538 894449** contact us on Facebook or email:

[llangollenfoodshare@gmail.com](mailto:llangollenfoodshare@gmail.com)

Open for food parcels **1-2pm Wed**, for donations **10-11am Tues**. Open for **Community Fridge** sharing free surplus food **Mon & Thurs 9-11am**.

**Donation Point** for Llangollen Food Share is at **The Spar**. We will collect donations on a regular Basis. Thanks to Spar Llangollen for joining us to help those in poverty. 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 can deliver to those unable to collect. *We share supermarket surplus to stop food waste, check our Facebook page 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 email [ifo@wrexham.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:ifo@wrexham.foodbank.org.uk) or call **07538 547971**. Find us on Facebook and Twitter, visit [www.wrexham.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.wrexham.foodbank.org.uk)

### THE COMMUNITY CAFE & FOODBANK RHOS

Supports families and individuals in the community with our foodbank, please get in touch to organise a food parcel. Generally here midday on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday but please call **01978 447477** or message our **Facebook** page before coming up to see us.

### CITIZENS ADVICE WREXHAM

Free independent impartial, confidential advice on **Thurs** at **Plas Madoc Leisure Centre 9.30am to 12 noon**. Also at **Cefn Mawr Library** on **Monday 11 & 18<sup>th</sup> August, 8 & 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept, 13 & 27<sup>th</sup> October**. 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.

### NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Do contact us for a free **Safe and Well** check, Please call **0800 169 1234** or visit <http://ow.ly/4zS950GUif>

### COMMUNITY FOOD, FRIENDSHIP & COMPANY

Free at **St Collen's Hall, Regent Street, Llangollen LL20 8HL** Tel: **01978 860231** **Friday** Community Lunch 12 noon to 1.30pm. **Saturday** Community Breakfast 9am to 11am. No need to book, just turn up, donations welcome We look forward to seeing you. Please check the Facebook page **St. Collen's Community Centre** for updates.

### VETERAN'S DROP-IN SESSION

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

### 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 **2<sup>nd</sup> Wed** 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. Phone **01685 379310**, email [enquiries@newpathways.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@newpathways.org.uk) or visit our webpage [www.newpathways.org.uk](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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**

**Popham Kidney Café** meets **1<sup>st</sup> Wed** of the month from **10am - 12 noon**, supporting people, families and carers living with kidney disease. To book call **0333 2001285** email: [support@pophamkidneysupport.org.uk](mailto:support@pophamkidneysupport.org.uk) or visit [www.pophamkidneysupport.org.uk](http://www.pophamkidneysupport.org.uk)

### B.O.T.S. BUMS ON TUMS

We are a Stoma support group called B.O.T.S we meet on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday** of the month at **Hope Church, Oswestry SY11 2EP** in Room 1 from 11am to 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](mailto:emily.hackworthy@live.co.uk)

## PLAS MADOC UPDATES *What's on in Plas Madoc & The Land*

### MONDAYS

10.30am at Homegrown, 51 Peris

LL14 3LF. **'You're not Alone'** is a support group for parent/carers who are worried about their children and drugs/alcohol. If you're feeling concerned about drugs/alcohol or would like more information on signs to look out for, we're here to support you.

Join our Parent Support Group, a safe space to share worries, get advice, and connect with others who understand and are facing similar challenges. Free to attend.

**Family Rounders** 5pm-6pm on the Leisure Centre field.

### TUESDAYS

**Crafty Brew** at Homegrown 9.30am - 11.30am come make some crafts.

**Over 55s Bingo** at Plas Telford 2pm, £5 book prizes to be won.

### WEDNESDAY

**Homegrown Brunch and Brew** free for anyone 10am - 12pm Serving Cheese Toasties, red onion. Mushrooms, tomatoes added if you would like, beans on toast and more.

**Cook Club at Homegrown** from 1pm-3pm £2 to cover ingredients

### THURSDAYS @ homegrown

(51 Peris ) from 9am -3pm - with the **Pantry** being open during these hours. 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 - and of course brew - please only attend if you need support with anything :)

The Pantry is open also 9am - 3pm where it is 10 items for £3, please bring your own.

### FRIDAYS

**'Thank Me It's Friday'** 10am-12pm at Homegrown group for adults that focuses on supporting wellbeing in a relaxing, calming environment.

**RSPCA Mobile Clinic** from 9am-11am at the Kettle Club Hub.

**Playschemes at the Land** for children aged 5 to15 – please **contact @Land Plasmadoc** for more information and session times or call **01978 813912**

The Land a provision for children & young people facilitated by The Land team will run Monday – Friday. We will be running services for children aged 0-15 and their families on the Land, Adventure Playground and within the community.

All play provision is free to attend – for more details please contact [Claire.pugh@avow.org](mailto:Claire.pugh@avow.org)

Or check the website <http://avow.org/> or find us on **Facebook@Land Plasmadoc**

**Bingo** every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month 6pm 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 £1 for Children's Bingo.

**Plas Telford Treasures** a tabletop sale every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 12pm-3pm an opportunity to sell your unwanted items. Tables £5 to sell items. 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](http://www.weareplasmadoc.co.uk)

### 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

### PLAS MADOC POST OFFICE & TOP SHOP

**Shop** open Mondays to Saturdays 7am to 10pm.

Sundays 8am to 9pm.

**Post Office** open Monday to Friday 9am to 5.30pm and Saturday 9am to 12.30pm

**Tel: 01978 820729**



### CYLCHMEITHRIN MIN Y DDOL

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## LOCAL CHOIRS

### THE FRON MALE VOICE CHOIR

We meet at *Ysgol Acrefair Primary* on Mondays and Thursdays, 7pm until 9pm during term time and post on our Facebook page other rehearsal venues. We have vacancies in all four sections so please email [fron.choir@gmail.com](mailto:fron.choir@gmail.com) for further details.

Choral experience and singing experience, although helpful, is not necessary. You do not need to read music; you simply need to be open to embracing a fantastic new hobby and having a lot of fun on the way! Follow us on Facebook.

### RHOS MALE VOICE CHOIR

We are a friendly and welcoming choir so why not come to one of our practices either on a Monday or a Thursday and see what you think. No experience necessary, we will give you advice and guidance. We are Cor Meibion Rhosllanerchrugog /Rhos Male Voice Choir. Ring me, **Mike** on **07944 386550** for a chat. Practices - *The Stiwt, Rhos* at 7.15pm on Mondays and in *Capel Bethlehem, Hall St, Rhos, LL14 2LF* at 7.15pm on Thursdays. We are looking forward as a choir to competing in the National Eisteddfod this month thereafter normal concerts will be in place.

### THE JAMES LAMBERT SINGERS

We are a mixed choir, our weekly practices are on Tuesdays from 7.30 to 9.30pm at the *Brymbo Sports Club*. If you would like to know more, you'd be welcome to come and meet us and hear us practise. phone **07774 850677**

**Free Concerts 2025** We are currently offering some free concerts to Care and Residential homes, or similar establishments, in and around Wrexham. Lots of favourite songs and, at Christmas, a special programme of carols and popular seasonal music. Audience participation encouraged!

Enquiries/Bookings: Phone/Text **07774 850677**

Please spread the word if you know of anyone who may be interested.

### RAISE THE ROOF COMMUNITY CHOIR

Raise the Roof Community Choir recently performed at this year's Llangollen Eisteddfod we gave two non-competitive choral recitals on the Global Stage and the Penddol Performance Area on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July, and were received very well by our audiences. We are now looking forward to resuming singing to local audiences from the autumn onwards. If you would like to hear us perform at a local care home or community event, please get in touch with Alan Tiltman on **07753 251768** or by email at [a.tiltman@icloud.com](mailto:a.tiltman@icloud.com)

If you would like to speak to our conductor, Nova Evans, please contact her by email at [nova.4song@gmail.com](mailto:nova.4song@gmail.com) We meet to sing every Thursday at St John's Church, Rhosymedre at 7pm. You would be very welcome to join us!

### BINGO AT THE ROYSTON CLUB ACREFAIR

Thursday is Bingo night every week in the bar at the Royston Club. Doors are open at 7pm and Bingo is from 8 to 10pm. All welcome, good parking.



## CINEMA CRYPT COMMUNITY CINEMA PROGRAMME

George Edwards Hall  
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### 23<sup>rd</sup> August Dark Crystal

Doors open 3.30pm for 4pm start, tickets £3 at the door, refreshments available, we take cash or card

### 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> October Phantasmagoria Horror Fest

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## PLAS MADOC LEISURE CENTRE

Acrefair LL14 3HL Tel: 01978 821600

**Pool Timetable:** Our Term Time Timetable and School Holiday Timetable is available on our website and Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/PlasMadocLC>

**Family Fun Swim:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month.

**FREE** for Welsh residents – Next Dates are: **08/08/25** and **12/09/25** (proof of address may be requested)

**FREE swimming School Holidays for Welsh residents**

**Under 16's** -Monday 3.30pm – 4.30pm and Saturdays 3pm – 4pm

**Over 60's** –Thursday 9am – 10am

**Family Fun Swim:** Every Tuesday to 26<sup>th</sup> August 5pm – 6.30pm. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Proof of address may be requested

**Climbing Wall:** We are now offering courses following NICAS guidelines. Contact the centre to register your interest. For September

**Taster sessions** available Tues 5<sup>th</sup> August, Tues 12<sup>th</sup> August, Tues 19<sup>th</sup> August - £6.25 per session

**Futsal Taster Sessions** with Wrexham Futsal Youth development Fridays – 7<sup>th</sup> August, 15<sup>th</sup> August, 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 29<sup>th</sup> August 5-9 years 10.00am – 11.00am  
10 – 14 years – 11.00am – 12 Noon

Only £2.00 per session

Book direct with [Paul@wrexhamfutsalyouth.co.uk](mailto:Paul@wrexhamfutsalyouth.co.uk)

**Gym:** Open Monday to Friday 9.00am – 9.00pm and Saturday and Sunday 9.00am – 4pm. Induction required before first use.

Our friendly Gym team offer/programmes/personal training and helpful support and advice. Pay as you go or membership options are available.

**Fitness Classes:** We have something for everyone from Zumba to Kettlebells, see our full class timetable here; <https://www.plas-madoc.com/fitness-classes>

**Sports Hall & Dry activities:**

Our Sports Hall is available for block bookings for Football/Roller Hockey etc. We also offer Badminton, Netball, Table Tennis and Squash.

**Café and Soft Play: Opening Times: School Holidays**

Mon to Fri – 11.00am – 4.00pm

Sat - 11am – 3.30pm

Sun – 10.30am – 3.30pm

**PMLC 50+ Luncheon Club:**

**Every Monday (Term Time Only) 12.15pm**

Two course meal with Tea & Coffee **only £3.50**

Booking is essential (call in or Tel: 01978 821600)

**Birthday Parties and Private Hire:** Bookings are now available for Soft Play/Swimming Pool/Bouncy Castle/ Football Parties /Roller skating (1 activity only per party). Hot Food can be provided from our café. Private hire of our Pool and Sports Hall is also available. Pirate Ship inflatable or floats and rafts available for Private Hire **Parties | plas-madoc**

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**Community Support Hub:**

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Citizens Advice, Wrexham Foodbank, WCBC Tenancy Support, Adult Learning Wales, Communities for Work, Advance Brighter Futures and The Wallich to name just a few!

**Let us know what you want from your Community Hub!** Volunteers always welcome.

**Communities for Work - Mondays 9.00am – 1.00pm**

Provide one-to-one mentoring for people living in Wrexham aged 20 or over, living in Wrexham and currently unemployed to find a job ideal job. They cover essential skills, digital skills, education and training, CV writing, job applications, interview tips and techniques, motivation and confidence, volunteering/work placements, self-employment and paid employment.

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Tel **0300 30 30 007**

Website: [www.cambria.ac.uk](http://www.cambria.ac.uk)

**Citizens Advice**

Every Thursday 9.30am – 12 Noon – Advice and help on everyday issues – Foodbank vouchers available.

**Wrexham Foodbank**

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## YSGOL ACREFAIR NEWS

We've had a term full of adventure, achievement, and unforgettable moments at Ysgol Acrefair! From local trips to exciting performances, our pupils have made the most of every opportunity. Children have attended the Jamboree where our children proudly sang Welsh songs, showcasing their growing confidence and love for the language. Classes visited Chirk Castle, Erddig, and Xplore!, where learning was brought to life with hands-on experiences. Xplore! also came into school to lead exciting science workshops, sparking curiosity and creativity across the year groups. Year 4 attended the premiere of their film at Tŷ Pawb – a brilliant project exploring what it means to be an ecological citizen they also took home a fantastic win in the Enterprise Troopers competition! Competing in the all-Wales business event, they were recognised for their outstanding creativity and innovation. Meanwhile, Year 6 enjoyed a thrilling final trip to NinjaWarrior UK and marked the end of their primary school journey with a funny, emotional and heartfelt leavers' service. They've also taken part in transition days at their new high schools, making new friends and preparing for their next big adventure. Throughout the term, pupil voice groups met to reflect on the projects they've led and the changes they've helped bring to our school community. A special mention goes to our Criw Cymraeg, who proudly achieved the Bronze Award for their efforts in promoting the Welsh language in school – a fantastic milestone! We also enjoyed an energetic sports day, with all pupils taking part and celebrating the importance of health and teamwork. Finally, this term was marked by a very special farewell to our headteacher Mrs Turner, who retired after years of dedicated service. We celebrated her time at Ysgol Acrefair with heartfelt thanks and warm wishes for the future. Diolch yn fawr – you will be greatly missed!



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### 2025 POPPY APPEAL VOLUNTEERS



Hi my name is Carl Diaper and I'm the new Poppy Coordinator for the Cefn and Ruabon area and I need your help to make this years poppy appeal a success.

I am looking for volunteers of all ages to help man tables at our local supermarket.

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**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).

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month:** Wrexham Family Information Service, (WFIS) drop-ins: 2.30-4.30pm (until July)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month:** Adult Creative Crafts: 2.15pm. An informal and varied craft session. Bring your own project or share and do something new or different with others.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month:** Friendship Group: 2pm-3pm. Chat, share memories and make friends.

**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.

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month: Community Agent Drop-ins.** 11am-12pm.

**Fridays:** Knit & Natter: 2pm-4pm. Whether you knit, crochet, sew or just natter, all welcome.

Children's Colouring Club: 3.15-4.15pm..

### Summer Holidays (for children)

**Mondays:** Lego Club 1-4pm

**Wednesdays:** Children's craft 2-4pm

**Thursdays:** Drop-in Jigsaw 10:30-12:30pm

**Fridays:** Colouring Club & Family Board Games 1-4pm  
You can browse our great collection of books, perhaps find a new hobby or interest in our non-fiction section, or catch up with your favourite author or read, from historical fiction, crime thrillers, cosy crime and much, much more. We have a large and varied stock of fiction and non-fiction books, audiobooks and large print, Welsh language books for adults and children, Young Adult, local interest and reference. We have a 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 times.

The library is open: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12.00 – 5.00; Thursday 9.00 – 1.15; Tuesday CLOSED



## RUABON COMMUNITY AGENT

Here to support the over 50s, in our Community and help to improve your wellbeing. Signposting to appropriate services, reconnecting you with your local Community, help with Digital Connection, I can support you to complete online applications for Blue Badges, Bus Pass Renewals etc. I hold a weekly Coffee & Chat Group at Ruabon Bowling Club on Wednesdays from 10.30-12.30, you can call in for information or book an appointment. I am available the 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs of each Month at Ruabon Library from 11-12am (No Appointment needed). Ruabon Library Friendship Group 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the Month 2-3pm Ruabon Ukulele Group meet alternate Mondays at Ruabon Village Hall 1.15-2.30pm. Musical Memories Group once a Month Ruabon Bowling Club I work Monday or Tues 9-2, Wed 9-3 and Thurs 9-2. Call **07947 530140**, or email

[ruaboncommunityagent@avow.org](mailto:ruaboncommunityagent@avow.org)

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## FRIENDS OF RUABON UPDATE

The next monthly meetings are **Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> September** at 10am in the Bridge Inn, Ruabon. **Sat 4<sup>th</sup> October** at 7pm in St Marys Church Hall Ruabon. Then **Wed 5<sup>th</sup> November** at 10am in The Bridge End Inn Ruabon. Community litter picks **Sat 20<sup>th</sup> September** and the Autumn Cleanup on **Sat 18<sup>th</sup> October**, meet at Ruabon Village Hall at 10am. **Pumpkin Trail** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 1pm – 4pm For volunteering, meetings and events contact **Sarah** on **07957 628551**, follow us on Facebook or email: [info@friendsofruabon.co.uk](mailto:info@friendsofruabon.co.uk)



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## YSGOL RHIWABON NEWS

The Year 11 Personal Profile ceremony followed by their prom celebrations held at Rossett Hall Hotel. On a picture-perfect, sunny evening, the students met at the school, with just over 250 parents and family members greeted them and took photographs in the school grounds. There were some marvellous vehicles on show bringing students to the ceremony, from a range of cars to motorbikes, numerous supercars and even a commercial lorry. The Personal Profile ceremony, hosted by Tara Mountford, Lead Learner for Year 11, who delivered an emotional speech, as she said a fond farewell to her students wishing them happiness and success in the future. The achievement files were presented by the chair of governors, Joan Lowe and headteacher, Melanie Ferron-Evans, supported by the Year 11 form tutors. Mrs Lowe said: "It is a privilege to see our Year 11 students and recognise the journey that they have followed during their time in Ysgol Rhiwabon. "The Governors and staff wish them well as they venture into the wider world and the school sends their best wishes to all of them for the future. We are very proud of them."

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## YSGOL CEFN MAWR NEWS

**Good Luck to our Year 6 Pupils** We would like to wish our Year 6 pupils the best of luck for the future and hope they enjoy the next exciting journey in their learning. The class performed their Leaving Service on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July for their families and for the whole school on the 17<sup>th</sup> July. Well done to the pupils for writing and performing their assembly, we enjoyed their songs, dances and listening to their memories, we also enjoyed the slide show photographs from their Beach Party. The children were presented with Leavers' Hoodies and Memory books as a gift from the school. A big thank you to Miss E Jones and Miss Samuels for their hard work with the pupils this year. It has been lovely to watch their confidence grow and progress with their learning this year. Remember to be the best you can be in life and aim high!

**Super Learning Week - Post Office Travels** We enjoyed a Super Learning Week in July based on the book 'Post Office Travels' by Nevmah Morris. We were fortunate to have a visit from the author who read parts of the story and took questions from pupils. Pupils enjoyed the visit and asked a lot of questions about the book and being an author. The pupils produced some lovely work during the week, which classes shared in a whole school assembly. Photographs were shared with families on our Dojo and our school apps. A big thank you to all families for their wonderful efforts in dressing up the children in colours of the flags of the country their class was learning about, we had some fantastic and creative outfits. A reminder to families that we have signed copies of the book 'Post Office Travels' for sale from the school office priced at £6 each.



**Tag Rugby - Years 5/6** Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Mixed Rugby Team who took part in a Tag Rugby Festival at Wrexham Rugby Club, with 6 other Wrexham schools. They played 6 games and played well showing good team spirit. They thoroughly enjoyed the morning. Well done to Archie, Sophie, Freddie, Reggie, Naycer, Emeli, Anniyah, Cadi and Cole.

**Criw Cymraeg Bronze Award - Llongyfarchiadau** Congratulations to the whole school on winning the Cymraeg Campus Bronze Award. This is an award given by the Welsh Local Authority Advisers (Mrs Buddig Selway-Jones and Mrs Dwynwen Jones), who visited school in June to watch the Criw Cymraeg deliver a whole school assembly using the Welsh language, they also visited classes and observed Helpwr Heddiw sessions, and looked at the school's displays and promotion of Welsh language. The Criw Cymraeg members: Cadi, Naycer (Year 6), Raya, Archie (Year 5), Jenson, Jacob (Year 4), Christopher and Noah (Year 3). The Criw meet weekly and publish a Welsh Phrase on the weekly

newsletter, they create and display posters around the school and take part in weekly school assemblies. Thank you to Mrs Ellis, our Welsh Leader, and all of the staff and pupils for their hard work. The Welsh Advisers were delighted and said we are close to receiving our Silver Award.

**Year 5 Mini Police** Our Year 5 pupils were invited to take part in a Mini Police Programme. PC Mel Cartledge and PC Nick held weekly sessions throughout this term. Pupils had to complete an application form then an interview before being accepted into the programme. They were issued with a uniform and a warrant card. The aim of the programme is to become aware of positive behaviour and community behaviour/ASB, and be good role models in the community. The children have been out and about in the community with the Police Officer and will continue with the programme next year.



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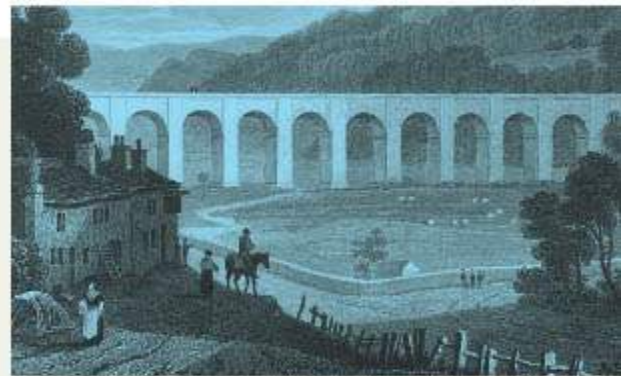
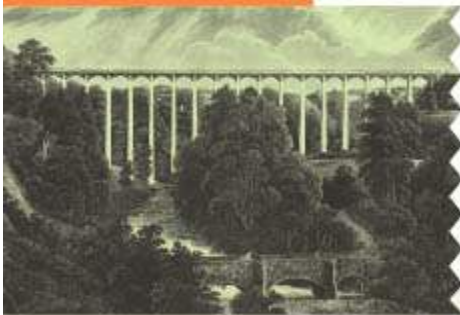
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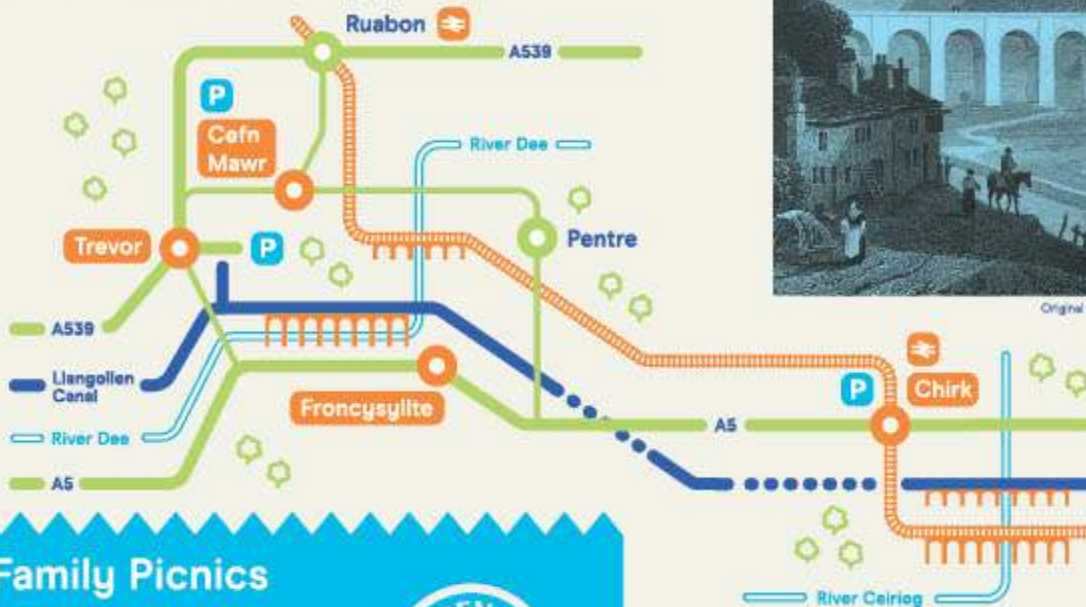
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Opening hours: Mon & Frid: 10am-6pm, Tues & Wed: 10am-5pm The library is closed on Thurs.

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** 10-11am Quiet Time. 2-4pm Knit and Natter. **Wednesdays** 10-3pm Citizens Advice drop in for residents of Penycae, Ruabon South, Ponciau, Pant, Johnstown and Rhos only. No appointment needed 10-3pm Communities for Work Digital **Wednesdays** 3-4pm Lego Club suitable for 4+ with Duplo Lego available for younger children. 2:30 - 3:30pm *Reading Group* on the first Wednesday of every month. 2-4pm *Wrexham Family Information Service* drop in held on the last Wednesday of every month **Fridays** 10:30-11am Bilingual Story & Rhyme Time. 2-3pm Friendship Group. 11-12pm Reminisce Group held on the third Friday of every month. *Summer Reading Challenge for Children* The theme for this year's Summer Reading Challenge is *Story Garden*. The Challenge runs throughout the summer holidays. Registration has already opened and we have had lots of children register to complete the challenge. All you need to do is read 6 books over three visits over the summer holidays and collect some fabulous new rewards and to earn your place in the prize draw to win either 1 Lego box, tickets for Tenpin Bowling, tickets for Xplore!, tickets for Banana Bens or tickets for the Odeon cinema.

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](http://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.



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The 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month has community advice drop-in sessions at Heol Eifion Community Centre, Rhos 10am – 12pm with housing support, financial support, local PCSO's and myself.

A new *cardmaking and papercraft* course starts in Rhos library on 19<sup>th</sup> September from 10am-12pm, run by Adult Learning Wales and is an accredited 12 week course. *Bingo Sessions* the last Wednesday of the month at Hafod Colliery Club, doors open 12.45pm, eyes down 1.30pm finishing at 2.30pm. *Reminisce Group* at Rhos library on the third Friday monthly from 11am-12pm supporting those living with dementia and their carers. Spaces available at the Rhos library Art Club on Fridays 1.30pm-3pm. Monthly *Lunch Club*, the second Monday at different locations each month. Please contact me on **07851 798630** or

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## CHIRK COMMUNITY AGENT

**Brigitte Price** supports the over 50s in the Chirk community. Let me know how I can help you live your best life by improving your wellbeing. Signposting you to helpful services, reconnecting you with your local community and much more. Please contact me on **07383 579824** or **01978 312556**.

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## YSGOL RHOSYMEDRE NEWS

Learners at Rhosymedre have enjoyed further developing their skills and love of learning outside of the classroom this term. Venues for school trips have included laser combat and Greenacres animal park. Learners have also participated in community events such as litter picking, further developing their ethical understanding of respecting their locality. We say a very proud and fond farewell to our wonderful year 6 learners. We wish them well as they go out into the world and know they will continue to shine. They really are a very special, fun, caring group of children who epitomise our school motto of respect, care, persevere, succeed.



## WELSH BUS TRAVEL NEWS FOR 16-21s

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## RHOSYMEDRE CHURCHYARD VOLUNTEERS



What a difference in 18 month thanks to the team of volunteers who give up so much of their time. Working as a group they have now cleared the entire graveyard of the elephant high grasses weeds and brambles

that swallowed up most of the graveyard. We would like to thank all those who have been so generous with their donations, as we are now a fully constituted group we have proper insurance for our volunteers and maintain, repair and replace our equipment as needed. and buy fuel for the machines All of your contribution are being used to support our work in the graveyard. We would like to thank the lovely person who planted flowers in the raised stone bed they look amazing. We thank all those who have donated together with the shops and businesses who have one of our collection tins. We are pleased to see more people are Visiting and Tending Family graves. See our Facebook page for updates of our working sessions as we welcome more help, thank you.



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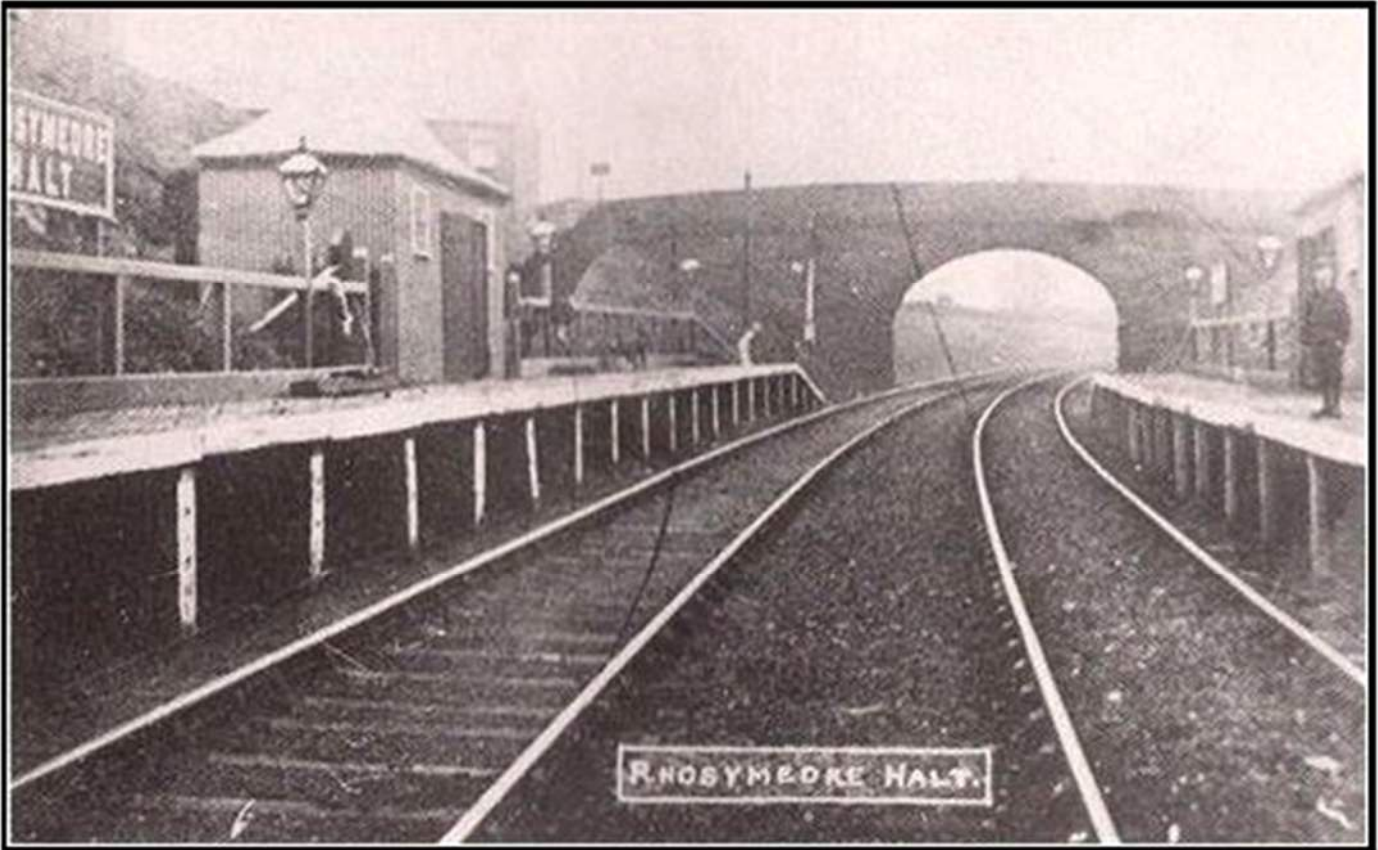
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Much Noise has recently been made in the news about restarting the Wrexham – Shrewsbury to London Service once again on an Open Access basis. This will no doubt be reinstated at some point in the future even if not just at the moment. I also note that we are now seeing longer TFW trains on the line running through our community to hopefully alleviate some of the congestion we have seen on the local service. However, we, one of the largest communities on the line, numbering some 10,000 people in 2-mile radius circle centered on Rhosymedre still lack a railway station. A lot of noise has also been made about step free access at Ruabon Station where lifts and a new bridge will be required at a cost of around £4M. There has also been a lot of noise made about reopening and improving stations along the line in the news. Therefore, we say why not reopen Rhosymedre Halt which can provide step free access to both sides of the line at less than half the cost of step free access at Ruabon. Simple ramps leading down (as they used to do) from the bridges crossing the line on Church and Chaple Street can provide step free access to both sides of the line at the very heart of our community.

Another major plus for reopening Rhosymedre Halt is that it could serve a new medical centre on the old Kwik Save / Co-Op supermarket site, as first proposed by Cefn Community Council back in 2015 and supported by 2000 of us signing the petition. This would give us a unique facility within Wales and makes very good use of available land and buildings. Furthermore, it would also provide the closest viable railway station to the “Jewel in the Crown”, the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct which now sees more than 500,000 visitors a year. So again, having good public transport to the aqueduct that can be accessed from London is another step in the right direction.

Therefore, we invite both community councils and WCBC to join in with us, The PKC Group based at the Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site Visitor Centre hosted in the Ebenezer Gallery on Cefn Square, in Cefn Mawr to see this through for the betterment of our community and Wrexham In general. Please note our usual program of events at both the Ebenezer Gallery and Holly Bush Inn continue as we try and ensure our community has life and we look forward to seeing you all.

Regards David Metcalfe.

[www.pkcgroup.wales](http://www.pkcgroup.wales)

The Ebenezer, Cefn Square, Cefn Mawr, Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site, Wrexham, LL14 3AB, Tel 01978 449 814

