

Reflections Group

Reflections is a group for children aged 8-11 who may find it difficult to access mainstream services this could be due to a number of factors including lack of confidence, shyness, or a disability. The group is run by experienced workers who provide lots of fun activities including cooking, arts and crafts, computers and many more. We meet every Friday at The Opportunity Centre between 3.30pm – 5.30pm, if you think your child may benefit from Reflections or you would like an informal chat to discuss what Reflections can offer your child, pop into The Opportunity Centre and ask for Claire Pugh alternatively phone 01978 813918.

Childcare Volunteer Programme

It has been 12 months since the Childcare Volunteer Programme began in Plas Madoc, providing placements for people from Plas Madoc, allowing them to gain experience with working with children and a NVQ qualification. The programme is continuing to be successful and would like to welcome Lindsay Brooks and wish her luck in her placement at Little Sunflowers. If you are interested in working with children then don't hesitate to contact Nicola Milburn on 01978 812786/ 01978 813910.

Thanks

The Venue youth workers would like to thank Tyrone Hughes for bringing his collection of snakes and spiders and giving a very interesting talk about the animals background and the proper way to care for them. The young people loved this session and were all very excited to get the chance to hold a snake and see the spiders up close. For more information on forthcoming sessions at The Venue please contact Fran or Sandra at the opportunity centre on 01978 813 910

New Outdoor Clothing for Little Sunflowers

Little Sunflowers children have had new outdoor suits. The children had lots of fun splashing in the puddles and playing in the rain. The suits were kindly donated from Flying Start in Wrexham to enable the group to experience the elements through play. The staff also looked amazing in their new outfits.

Support for Carers

Are you looking after a relative, friend or neighbour, who, because of a disability, sensory impairment and/or the effects of age could not cope without your help? If yes, then you are a Carer. Working in partnership with Wrexham Carers Service, Plas Madoc Communities First is starting a carers support group on Thursday 5 February between 9:30 – 11:30 at The Opportunity Centre on Plas Madoc. If you would like to come along, please contact Sian Hughes on 01978 813910 or drop in. The support group is open to all areas and ages.

Fitter and Trimmer

Do you want to lose weight but need some support in a relaxed and friendly place? Then come along to the Fitter and Trimmer Club which is held every Thursday at 5:30p.m at The Opportunity Centre on Plas Madoc. Admission is only £1. For further information contact Sian Hughes on 01978 813910. Everyone welcome.

Extra Care Development

Last year an £8million Extra Care Development for Plas Madoc was approved by the Welsh Assembly Government. Extra Care is effectively social housing aimed at older people and the Plas Madoc development will contain approx 50 apartments and a number of facilities, which will be available for the community to use. Draft plans are available to view at The Opportunity Centre. Pennaf, the developer is also keen to involve as many local people as possible in consultation about what the final building will look like. If you are interested please contact Andrew Harradine on 01978 813910 or visit The Opportunity Centre.

Community Safety

Please remember that Plas Madoc estate is covered by a 20mph zone, which covers all streets apart from Oak Road. As agreed in the recent Community Safety Group, NW Police will be undertaking awareness raising and enforcement activities on the estate over the coming year.

Leisure Centre Questionnaires

This is the final reminder to get your completed Leisure Centre forms returned to Plas Madoc Communities First as soon as possible. A report is going before the Council's Executive Board this week, which outlines the timetable for possible changes to the Leisure Centre. It is important that everyone with an interest has the opportunity to put their views across.