

## FREE Classical Music Performance

Tickets now available

Thanks to a partnership with North Wales International Music Festival, PMCF will be hosting a performance of classical music by *Ensemble Cymru*. There will be two performances taking place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August. The first is from 11am to 11:45am and is for an audience of children and young people. Following a break there will be a second performance for adults from 12:15pm to 1pm.

Both performances are FREE but due to space numbers will be limited. Please visit The Opportunity Centre to collect your free tickets to the event, which will guarantee entry. For more information contact Andrew Harradine on 01978 813910. The project is possible due to funding that North Wales International Music Festival has received from The Arts Council Wales and The Big Lottery Fund.

## Change to Summer Programme

Unfortunately due to transport issues the trip to visit the 7 Wonders of Wales due to take next week has been postponed to the October half term. Instead an exciting gardening project will be taking place at The Venue every morning between 10-12. For further information pop into The Venue, The Opportunity Centre or call Sian on 01978 813918.

## Lights, camera, action!

With the helping hand of Actress Sinead Moynihan, 5 young people from the Venue have been learning all about how TV programmes are made. From script writing to filming, the young people have learnt lots of exciting new skills, which were put to use when filming other young people carrying out some gardening at The Venue. To find out more about all the fun activities that are taking place during the summer holidays, contact Sian on 813918 or pop into The Opportunity Centre.

## Play

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August was National Play Day, and Plas Madoc Communities First celebrated this by providing a coach for 49 people from Plas Madoc enabling them to visit Play Day in Wrexham Town Centre. The children, young people and adults participated in lots of fun activities providing opportunities to get wet and messy.

The playworkers from 'Get Out and Play' accompanied 12 young people on the trip and would like to say thanks to the young people for their enthusiasm and cooperation on making the day a huge success. If you would like any more information regarding the open access playscheme please contact Claire Griffiths on 01978 813918

Plas Madoc Communities First erected a temporary boating lagoon on Queen's Square in Wrexham last week. This enabled 323 children to have the opportunity to experience a trip in a River Dee style coracle. This was Plas Madoc Communities First contribution in order to celebrate National Play Day on Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> August. We would like to kindly thank Dee Valley Water & North Wales Fire & Rescue Service's Green Watch for helping to get our boating lagoon operational.

## Community Directory of Useful Numbers

Following a suggestion from a member of the community we are putting together an odd job directory. We are looking for contact details of people with skills such as dress making and gardening and for people who are qualified such as joiners and

plumbers. If you would like your details to be advertised locally FREE of charge. Then please contact Sharon on 01978 813916/ 01978 812786.

#### Prison Visit

The Altcourse Prison visit will take place on August 18th. During the visit we will have the chance to look around the prison itself, watch the Choose Life drama showing how easily drug and alcohol mis use can result in custody and may have the opportunity to talk to some offenders and staff. If you are aged 14 - 25 and would like to take part in this visit could you please contact Clare Barnes on 01978 821210 or call into the Drop-In.

#### University Experience

Last week four young people had the opportunity to visit The University of Manchester. Whilst there they were provided with a tour of the buildings, took part in activities, talked to students and were given the opportunity to look at the wide range of courses that are available. The day was very good and was intended to get young people to think about career choices and to see that there are many opportunities for them to explore

#### Plas Madoc 50+ Group Trip

Last chance to get your tickets for the trip to Lakeside and Haverthwaite Railway, Cumbria on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August!! Tickets are £20 and available from Brien Powell and Margery Rees or alternatively your place can be booked by visiting The Opportunity Centre. The coach will leave Plas Madoc Leisure Centre at 9am for the drive to Haverthwaite, followed by a train ride to Lakeside and a boat trip across Windemere to Bowness. The coach will set off home at 5pm.

#### 20mph

NW Police have again been out on Plas Madoc monitoring speed of traffic around the estate roads. The latest initiative took place around 8pm at night to remind drivers that there is no safe time to break the speed limit. If there are areas of the estate that you think should be visited by the speed gun, please contact Andrew Harradine on 01978 813910.

#### Clean up

Thanks to WCBC for tackling the litter in and around the old Llys Madoc Care Home, which has been identified by a number of local residents and also the Detached Youth Workers. Also thanks for the installation of a new litter bin at the MUGA.