

Coracles

Plas Madoc Communities First Heritage Lottery funded “Young Roots” project aimed at getting young people involved in historic related projects, achieved a show stopping living history display in Wrexham town centre with their temporary coracle boating lagoon. The Worshipful the Mayor of Wrexham, Councillor Arwel Gwynn Jones opened the National Play Day in Wrexham town centre on 5th August.

He led the way in joining in with over 332 children in having a go in a locally built Dee coracle which had been entirely crafted by teenagers who live on the Plas Madoc estate.

Play Inclusion Project

Over the Summer Holidays Get Out and Play has been taking part in the Inclusion Project run by Wrexham Play Development Team and Wrexham Borough Council. This enables children who wouldn't usually access the play scheme to have the opportunity to experience a rich play environment, join in activities with other children whilst having a one to one support worker close by. This programme is running well and we hope that both the children and the parents are benefiting from being part of the Inclusion Project over the summer period.

Childcare Volunteers

If you live on Plas Madoc and would like to work with Children then why not volunteer and gain a qualification at the same time. If this interests you then why not find out more about The Childcare Volunteer Programme run through Communities First Plas Madoc. For more information the please contact Nicola Milburn on 01978 813916 / 01978 812786

Play Scheme

Get Out and Play' will continue to run throughout the summer holidays. The scheme will now run Tuesday – Friday with Mondays being a staff training day this will ensure playworkers have up to date knowledge of the play process and have the time to reflect on and improve the previous week at the scheme. Consultation is undertaken with the children and young people throughout each session, the children are encouraged to request activities and resources and on a Monday the staff plan and prepare for the coming week. If you would like any more information please don't hesitate to contact Claire Griffiths on 813918

The Venue Youth Club

There have been some amendments to the half term holiday programme. The new holiday programme will be available from The Venue on a weekly basis for the next three weeks. If you have any questions or wanting information regarding the holiday programme please call Fran or Sian at The Opportunity Centre on 01978 813910.

Members of The Venue participate in a drama activity week. During this week they got to look at how to make a short film and what roles people contributed in making a film. Young people decided they would make a short film about the re-designing of The Venue garden. The young people will learn to edit this alongside youth workers and Sinead Moynihan who has starred in various television programmes. This short film will then be show and young people will be able to invite their family and friends as well as members of the community.

Free Music Performance

There are still tickets available for the performance of classical music by *Ensemble Cymru*. There will be two performances taking place on Wednesday 19th 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.

Dogs

The Dog's Trust is able to provide help with the neutering and micro-chipping of dogs. If you are a council tenant or on a means-tested benefit you will be able to receive a significant discount for the treatment. Neutering is widely regarded to be beneficial to both the health of dogs and also the safety of family and the local community as dogs are less likely to roam or be aggressive. If you would like to know more about The Dog's Trust Scheme you can contact Fran Packwood 07932115750 or pop into The Opportunity Centre.