

Llanfechain Memorial Hall

News Bulletin

Keeping you in touch

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The next edition of the newsletter will be out at the beginning of January so please send articles, photos etc by 30 December 2013

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Its Official!

It may feel like it's a long way off but whether you like it or not Christmas is coming. Your Community Shop will as always be open every day except Christmas Day. The opening times are below. Once again the Shop has had a successful financial year and will be donating a large sum of money to the Memorial Hall. This wouldn't have been possible without your support as a customer of course but lets give a big "Thank You" to the volunteers who man (or woman) the shop for your benefit. Whether you want work experience from the High School, have just left school, working part-time, retired, you're new to the village, or just at a loose end, if you have 3 hours a week to give we need to hear from you. You will be working with a committed, friendly team in a happy atmosphere. At first you would work alongside experienced volunteers and be provided with full training. If you are unable to work in the Shop but would like to support us in some other way, call in at the shop or ring the Shop 828466 or Dick Row 828077.

Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

Normal opening times

8am to 5 pm	Monday to Friday
8am to 12-30	Saturday & Sunday
Dec 24 th Christmas Eve	8am to 12-30
Dec 25 th Christmas Day	Closed
Dec 26 th Boxing Day	8am to 12-30
Jan 1 st New Years Day	8am to 12-30

"Tinsel Tales"

a production by Cardiff based Likely Story Theatre Friday
December 13th 7pm at Llanfechain Memorial Hall

This Christmas join the Captain and crew of the Historia, the greatest story telling ship to travel the galaxy! This ramshackle crew know how to celebrate Christmas and they invite you to their Story Storage Room to join in the fun as they share some of their favourite stories. Armed with trunks of costumes, silly instruments, original music, plenty of tinsel, buckets of energy and their trusted storytelling engine, they begin where all good stories should begin "Once upon a time..."

The crew will lead you on a unique journey with their fresh tellings of old classics. Billy Goat's Gruff, Three little Pigs and the Tortuous and the Hair all make an appearance. However keep a watchful eye out for the anarchic and wicked Gingerbread man who is determined to ruin all the stories!

Join us in this fast, furious and fun family Christmas show.

Suitable for children, adults, reindeer and elves alike, this is a Christmas show like no other.

Tickets at £5.50 for adults and £3.00 for children available at Llanfechain Community Shop or by ringing June on 01691 828077 or Elizabeth on 01691 828614

Sponsored by Night Out and supported by Powys County Council



The Future is in the Stars

After many months of hard work Llanfechain School was delighted to open Llanfechain Little Stars Pre-School on 9 September. The Pre School is currently open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for 2 hours.

The great news is that the setting has at last been fully inspected by CSSIW and any time now should open for whole mornings with options for lunch. This will also mean we will be providing free places for qualifying 3 year olds.

The Little Stars Pre-School works closely with Llanfechain School and enables a smooth Introduction for your child into the early years of education. It is professionally led and provides a quality experience and a safe environment for children aged 2 years and over. It will eventually be open every day of the week.

At present the Pre-School can offer flexible arrangements for booking places.

Little Stars also provides a professionally led Stay & Play session on Monday afternoons. In addition the school currently hosts a parent led Toddler Group on Thursday mornings.

Remember, you don't have to live in Llanfechain to take full advantage of what Little Stars, its wonderful

grounds and the school itself have to offer. Full details of Pre School and Stay & Play can be found on the school website www.llanfechainschool.org.uk You can also call in at school on session days and speak to Kim to find out more or, simply call us on 01691 828537.

Little Stars Pre-School

at Llanfechain Church in Wales Primary School

Introducing your child to early years education. Professionally led setting for children aged 2 years and over and free for qualifying 3 year olds.

Pre-School is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

Stay and Play is open on Monday afternoons.

llanfechainschool.org.uk
01691 828537



CHRISTMAS FAIR LLANFECHAIN MEMORIAL HALL SATURDAY DECEMBER 14TH 10 - 12am

With cakes, wreaths, gifts and Christmas trees for sale and a lovely festive village atmosphere this has to be the place to come along and enjoy yourself whilst you do the Christmas shopping. There will be somewhere to sit and have a coffee and a mince pie or cake, have a chat and soak up the atmosphere. Entrance is £1 to include refreshments and this, with the raffle, will be in aid of Wales Air Ambulance.

For more information or to book a stall ring June on 01691 828077 or Elizabeth on 01691 828614.

Calling all Llanfechain Memorial Hall Members

We urgently need bottles (not sauce!) for the Bottle Whist Drive. Could you please leave your bottles by Friday 1 November at the shop. (Please label it to show us who has made the donation).

You don't have to be a member to support us, if you would like to donate a bottle please leave it at the shop.

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS
MAINTAINING THE VILLAGE HALL**

Llanfechain WI is always busy!



In September members planted a winter-flowering cherry tree in the churchyard, to replace a commemorative tree that had died. They then went straight in to a session making enamelled jewellery, with some lovely pieces being created. On 12th December there will be an evening of Christmas music, with the Orthopaedic Choir, in aid of the Orthopaedic Hospitals Tumour Unit and WI funds. Tickets should be available soon - £5, to include Christmas nibbles. The Committee is busy putting together an exciting and varied programme for the next year, starting with a talk on Oman in January, followed by practical sessions on floral art and self-defence. Any woman can join and what better way could there be for learning about different things and trying out new skills, with good company? And don't forget the excellent teas!

News from the Gardening club

The Gardening club met in October and very much enjoyed a talk from Abbi of Montgomery Wildlife Trust. 16 members were present plus 2 husbands!! The next meeting will be the AGM Nov:21st---- subs will be taken and the oncoming year's events discussed together with a glass of wine and chocolate biscuits! The Christmas dinner will be on the 19th Dec at the Lion Llansantffraid, Bookings for this will be taken at the AGM with the deposit. **A very Happy Christmas to all members.** Issidy (829232)

Christmas Posting Dates

International Surface Mail

Mon 30 Sept	Africa, Asia, Australia, Caribbean, Central & South America, New Zealand
Tues 1 Oct	Far and Middle East (except Hong Kong and Singapore)
Tues 15 Oct	Canada, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Africa, USA
Tues 5 Nov	Cyprus, Eastern Europe, Greece, Iceland, Malta, Turkey
Tues 19 Nov	Western Europe

International Airmail

Wed 4 Dec	Asia, Far East (including Japan), New Zealand
Thurs 5 Dec	Australia
Fri 6 Dec	Africa, Caribbean, Central & South America, Middle East
Mon 9 Dec	Cyprus, Eastern Europe
Tues 10 Dec	Canada, France, Greece, Poland
Fri 13 Dec	USA
Sat 14 Dec	Western Europe (excluding France, Greece, Poland)
Fri 29 Nov	Airmail to Operational BFPOs
Fri 13 Dec	Airmail to Static BFPOs

UK Services

Wed 18 Dec	2nd Class and Royal Mail Signed For™
Fri 20 Dec	1st Class and Royal Mail Signed For™
Mon 23 Dec	Royal Mail Special Delivery Guaranteed™

Promise Auction in aid of St Garmon's Church Llanfechain on 24th October, 2013

On behalf of the Wardens and PCC I would like to thank all those who donated "promises" as well as those who attended on the night.

£1,289 was made on the promises plus approximately a further £100 in donations.

There is no other major fundraising planned until the summer but we hope that you will support our Remembrance, Advent and Christmas services which will be advertised on noticeboards and on the website below. We also hold a monthly coffee morning on the first Saturday of each month in the hall. With thanks once again,

Pam (Rev'd Pam Powell, MA)
Tel: 01691 828244 Mob: 07711 053565

November Services

3rd November 9.30am All Souls Service where we remember our own departed loved ones who have died recently and not so recently. This is not a service for only those families who have had funerals this year but for all.

10th November 9.30am Remembrance Service followed by War Memorial (lychgate)

17th November 3.00pm Roadpeace Service in St Ffraid's Church, Llansantffraid. The service is for all road victims their families, friends and emergency services and for all those involved in incidents on the roads.

The following Christmas Services will be confirmed on the small cards we send around in December:

15th December 3.30pm Community Carol Service

Christmas Eve: 3pm Crib Service & 10pm Holy Communion

Otherwise all services are at 9.30am except for 15th (due to Carol Service) and 29th December when we will join the Llansantffraid congregation.

To advertise an item or event in this newsletter please contact the editor on nita.duff@btinternet.com

Adverts cost £5.

This newsletter is provided by Llanfechain Memorial Hall Committee. Any revenue raised from the adverts goes towards the cost of printing the newsletter

Lift to work needed

everyday from Llanfechain to Oswestry – can you help?

Costs towards petrol given.

For more information Please contact Karen on 01691 828186

Diary

• EVERY Monday MD Warriors, Martial Arts at the village hall

5.30pm—6.00pm session for under 5 year olds

6.00pm-7.00pm session for 6 to 14 year olds

7.00pm-8.00pm session for adults

T:Ron on 01691 828802

• Monday & Wednesday evenings during term time (from September)

Computer classes in the village hall. For information contact Ron T: 01691 828802 E: Ronald.north@btinternet.com

• First Tuesday in each month from Oct

Friendly Club in the Village Hall. 2pm—4pm

• Wednesdays (October onwards)

Indoor Bowls at Llanfechain Hall every Wednesday from 7.30pm.

• Second Thursday in every month

Llanfechain WI Village Hall T: Sarah on 07970 625405.

• Last Thursday of each month at the school during term time

'Community Lunch' £3 to book call 01691 828537

• First Friday in every month

Whist Drive, Village Hall. 7.30pm. T: 01691 829081. All proceeds go to support the village hall.

• Second Friday in every month

Foolish Friday at the Plas.

• First Saturday in every month

St Garmon Church Coffee mornings at the village hall, 10am-noon

• Tuesday 12 November

Llanfechain Community Council in the Village Hall, 7.30pm. T: 828542.

• Friday 15 November

Cheese and wine evening in the Hall in support of the Eisteddfod. 7.00pm

• Thursday 21 November

Llanfechain Gardening Club AGM. 7.30pm in the Village Hall T: Issidy 01691829232 .

• Friday 22 November –THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE USUAL DATE!

Quiz Night at the Plas, 8pm. All proceeds go to support the village hall.

• Friday 13 December

Tinsel Tales with the Likely Story Theatre Llanfechain Memorial Hall Friday at 7pm. Only £5.50 for adults & £3.00 for children.

• Saturday 14 December

Christmas Fair, village hall 10am—noon. With cakes, wreaths, gifts and Christmas trees for sale and a lovely festive village atmosphere. Entrance is £1 to include refreshments

Have a wonderful Christmas and a very happy 2014