



Christmas 2016



Cyngor Cymunedol Llangyfelach
Llangyfelach Community Council

Newsletter





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Santa's Grotto Reindeer Land

Dear Children and Friends

The Llangyfelach Community Council is pleased to invite the community of Llangyfelach once again to their Christmas Celebrations, which reflects the religious meaning of Christmas on 9th December 2016.

I shall, under God's guidance be travelling despite weather conditions to the Christmas Tree on the village green by 6.15pm where we can exchange greetings and switch on the Christmas Tree lights.

Finally under the sound of my bell we will visit my grotto in the village Church Hall to share the joys of Christmas with the mums and dads.

See you all there soon.

Santa





Dear Residents,

A very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year from Llangyfelach Community Council.

It has been a very busy and interesting time for the Community Council over the last 12 months, with a number of important issues being considered, including the Swansea Local Development Plan (LDP) which will have a significant impact on community and the continuing process of the purchase, by the community, of the village green at Y Llwni.

Another issue is parking around the village by DVLA personnel. As you will be aware, Swansea Council has painted a single, yellow line on most streets, if not all of the streets in the village. With restricted parking times between 10am to 11am Monday to Friday and we are in contact with Swansea council to confirm when these restrictions will take effect. While not everyone is happy with these yellow lines, hopefully, this will ease congestion around our beautiful village.

The Community Council are supporting the residents of Pengors Road and Fairview Road with parking issues around the school during drop off and collection times, where many residents and family members are ignoring the existing parking restriction along these streets (yellow lines) and illegally parking on pavements causing a nuisance by restricting the width of foot paths, putting pedestrians and particularly children at risk.

The residents have requested an improvement with policing in this area during peak times. We will be inviting the relevant departments from Swansea Council plus the School to the December meeting. Also, residents are more than welcome to attend.

The community council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm in Llangyfelach Church hall. All meetings are open to the public and we would be delighted to see you. You can also contact the Council through your Community Councillors or the Clerk to the community; all the relevant telephone numbers are listed in this newsletter and on the web site.





Don't forget, on Friday 9th December 2016 at 6:15pm Father Christmas will be making his annual visit to Llangyfelach to switch on our Christmas tree illuminations.

It would be fantastic to see you all there, as I am sure you will have a most enjoyable evening.

Nadolig llawen a blwyddyn newydd dda

Dave Belton

Chairman





Hello everyone.

It's that time of year again when I write our newsletter.

I am happy to say that we have had another successful year of fundraising. I will start with our Christmas Coffee Morning 2015. As usual it was a very enjoyable event. The stalls were well stocked and sales were brisk.

The coffee and mince pies, which were included in the ticket price, were enjoyed by all.

At the end of year event we were delighted to present a cheque for £1000 to the Tenovus representative.

By the time we met for our A.G.M (Annual General Meeting) on January 25th 2016 we had heard the sad news that Mrs Beryl Quirk had passed away. Beryl had been a longstanding, hardworking member of our committee and had been secretary for many years. She had been in hospital for a long while and we missed her wealth of experience and will continue to do so.

During our A.G.M all officers stood down and it was proposed by Muriel that if all were agreeable all three officers to be returned. Therefore the officers are as follows:

Carole Morgan	-	Chairperson
June Jones	-	Treasurer
Gill Rees	-	Secretary

Our first event of 2016 was our Spring Coffee Morning held on Thursday March 3rd at Morriston Golf Club. Tickets and posters were distributed to committee members on Tuesday February 9th.

The coffee morning was a success, there was an excellent turn out and sales at the various stalls were brisk once again. The Easter Hamper raffle and main raffle proved very popular as usual. Brenda, once again, made the Welsh cakes which were included in the ticket price.

A BIG thank you to Brenda.





Everyone present enjoyed their Welsh cakes and coffee. Thanks to all of you who attended the event and supported our efforts to raise much needed funds for Tenovus Cancer Care.

Our next committee meeting was held on Tuesday April 19th 2016. We discussed arrangements for our next event which will be a new even for us.

A musical Matinee. This was an afternoon event to be held at Bethel Chapel Vestry on Tuesday May 31st. The event had to be held during half term week as most of the young performers were still in full time education and Tuesday was the only afternoon available in the Vestry.

We realised that it was a risk holding the event so close to the May bank holiday but it was the only date that would meet all the criteria.

Corrine Cassini, a local singer who has recently put together a group of young performers agreed to put on the Musical Matinee for our group which was to include a selection of songs from the musicals.

The event was not that well attended but those of us who were there were treated to a feast of singing and performance which was most enjoyable as an intimate event. The youngsters whose ages ranged from 12 to 18 years of age gave 100% in their performances. Corrine, Lisa and Ian who helped to set up the sound system should be extremely proud of their young performers.



These are the main cast members. Corinne is second from the left.





The committee decided to offer them money towards their expenses but they would not take anything. Further more the parents who came to support their youngsters gave a boost to our funds by buying raffle tickets which we greatly appreciated.

This is an opportune moment to thank Margaret and the Deacons of Bethel who helped to set up the hall by putting tables and chairs around the hall which helped create a suitable atmosphere for the event. Everyone enjoyed the tea, cakes and biscuits provided.

Our next committee meeting was held on Tuesday September 13th where we discussed arrangements for our next event, a Fashion Show to be held on Thursday October 6th at Morriston Golf Club at 7:30pm.

The show featured Crysalis of Gorseinon owned by Lynda Morgan and was a real success.

The models wore formal wear and wedding outfits together with jewellery, hats, shoes and bags all available from Crysalis. Lynda compared the show seamlessly and the models executed several changes of outfits during both halves of the show.

During the interval we held the raffle. Crysalis donated several prizes along with committee members and members of the audience who had come along to support the event.

At the end of the show Carole Morgan, our chairperson, thanks Lynda and the models for the a most enjoyable evening. As a group we were delighted to present a cheque for £1000 to Emily Wells, our fundraising coordinator from Tenovus Cancer Care.

Emily thanked everyone present for attending the event and for supporting our groups year on year. She also thanked us as a committee for our hard work in putting on our events which in turns enable us to make our donations to Tenovus Cancer Care.

We have one more event in 2016 which is our Christmas Coffee Morning on Thursday December 1st. We hope to present a cheque of £1500





to Tenovus Cancer Care. This newsletter will have been submitted by then. Now all that remains is for me, on behalf of Morriston and Llangyfelach Tenovus Cancer Care, to say some thank yous.

Thanks to the Steward and Committee of Morriston Golf Club for allowing us to hold three events in your main hall this year. We are extremely grateful.

Also thanks to the Deacons and Caretaker of Bethel Chapel Llangyfelach for the use of the Chapel Vestry for our Musical Matinee.

Thanks to my fellow committee members for their continued hard work and support.

Last but by no means least, the biggest thanks must go to our supporters who buy tickets and give so generously when buying from our stalls, buying raffle tickets and Tenovus Christmas cards.

Without your loyal support we could not raise the funds and make the donations which are so important in enable Tenovus Cancer Care to continue it's invaluable work in supporting those who face the effects of Cancer by improving access to the treatment via their two Tenovus busses which travel to outlying areas together with support for families giving advice on benefit entitlement, counselling services and a helpline which will provide a supportive voice to speak to.

All that remains now is to wish all of you...

A Merry Christmas and Happy New year
Nadolig Llawn a Blwyddyn Newydd Dde

Gill Rees

(Secretary Morriston and Llangyfelach friends of Tenovus Cancer Care)







Nursery

We have been working hard on our topic called Battle of the Dinosaurs. The children have learnt some very interesting facts.



They became archaeologists for the day and searched for buried fossils and bones.



The children went on a dinosaur hunt and recorded how many they found. We looked after some baby dinosaurs and helped them to hatch





Reception

Battle of the Dinosaurs

Last term we learned all about dinosaurs. We were really excited when we found fossils in our yard and decided to find out more about them. We visited the Dinosaur Park in Tenby and had a wonderful time searching for dinosaurs in the woods. Some dinosaurs were so big! We looked after some baby dinosaurs – we had to find out what they ate and how to keep them happy and safe – just like a dinosaur mammy would. We loved learning about dinosaurs but are glad that they are extinct now!





Year 1

We have had a great start to Year 1. We have all been working very hard creating wanted posters to catch the big bad wolf and we have been learning all about ourselves in Welsh.

We had a great Roald Dahl day and got to dress up as our favourite characters. We did lots of fun activities that day.

Our next topic is all about what makes us happy and we have started bringing in happiness boxes to show. We love our new classroom and really like the Lego wall and playing outside. We can't wait to learn even more this half term!





Year 2

Last term, our class along with the school took part in the 'Silver Smarties' challenge. We worked so hard and all remembered to bring in our Smartie tubes filled with lots of silver coins!

We were so pleased to find out that we won and we are all looking forward to our movie afternoon with lots of delicious treats!

This term we have welcomed Miss Horgan into our class whilst Miss Nicholas is off on her maternity leave! We have all been working very hard to show Miss Horgan what a great class we are.

This term our new topic is 'Happiness'. On our first day back after the half term holidays we celebrated being happy and discussed what makes us happy with a happiness afternoon. We had lots of fun being creative and using the parachute!





Year 3

We have been very busy learning about the Romans. We have found out lots of information about gladiators and created our own information posters. We designed and made shields and mosaics. We are going to be visiting the Roman Fortress and Baths in Caerleon. We had great fun celebrating Roald Dahl day; we all dressed up as characters from his books and we made our own marvellous medicine potions and read his books.





Year 4

Here are some of the fun activities we have been up to this term:

Gods and Gladiators

Our first topic has been the historical-based Gods and Gladiators. The children have researched and learnt about some events of Ancient Rome, including Roman beliefs, lifestyle and artwork. The children wrote fantastic information texts on the Roman Games, as well as planning a 'Games' event of their own by managing budgets.



Roald Dahl Day

To celebrate the centenary year of Roald Dahl, the whole school took part in Roald Dahl activities and dressed up as favourite characters from the author's tales. As you can see, Year 4 did not disappoint with their Dahl-ightful costumes!



Robot Rampage

The second topic this term has a very scientific and interactive flavour to it – 'Robot Rampage'. We will be looking at electrical circuits, exploring the historical impact of machinery and designing our own robots... just in time for Christmas!





Year 5

Off With Her Head!!!

Our topic this half-term has been based on the Tudors. It has been really interesting and great fun, but it has also been quite gruesome and scary!

Biographies

Our writing genre this term has been information, so one of our main tasks was to research and record important information about the reign of King Henry VIII. Once we had completed our research, we had to write a detailed biography. We redrafted and edited our biographies to make sure they were the best we could make them.



Potions

Our topic for next half-term is 'Potions'. This sounds just as exciting as we get to explore different types of materials and investigate the changes that take place when we freeze, melt, boil and burn them! We will also get to observe chemical reactions when we mix solids and liquids that should be kept apart!

We will also be reading 'George's Marvellous Medicine'. Roald Dahl is one of our favourite authors and we are looking forward to using this story in our Literacy work.





Year 6

Year 6 have had an extremely busy term so far! We thoroughly enjoyed Roald Dahl day! We all dressed up as characters from Roald Dahl books and we spent the day designing chocolate bars and making TV adverts to advertise our chocolate bars!



We have spent this term learning about the Tudors! We loved learning about King Henry VIII, his wives and his children, and what it was like to live during the Tudor times. We have written Tudor information texts, we have written character profiles on Henry VIII, we have designed Tudor clothes and created Tudor menus, and we have produced some fantastic artwork!





It's been another busy year for the PTFA at LLangyfelach Primary School. We have raised over £9500.00 which is a fantastic amount.

Our events lists during the last year has once again been packed, with events such as our Welsh Evening, which showcased the children's work, the School Choir, as well as a number of local businesses selling their wares.

Both the Hawaiian Disco and Halloween Disco continue to be popular with the children, as does our sponsored Bunny Hop for the younger children during the run up to Easter. Our weekly cake and ice cream stall continues to be successful.





In addition to fundraising for the school we have also supported charity events organised by the School, Race for Life for Cancer Research raised almost £2500 while the very recent Macmillan Coffee Morning raised £520.13.

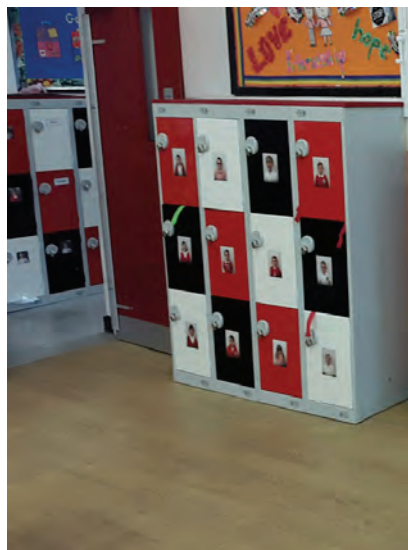
Sadly, our Summer Fete was hampered by the weather this year and we weren't able to hold it on the village green at Y Llwyni as in previous years. We did however manage to find a date in the diary to have the event in the school yard and while it was not the

success of previous years it was a good event where the sun shone and a good time was had by all.

Our Recycling events are also a great way to raise funds for the School and have a spring clean at the same time. We arrange two of these per year so keep your eyes peeled for the next one. All donations are gratefully received.

You can either pop the bags into the school yourself or we can arrange for them to be collected. For further information on these contact Lynda in the school office.

We are delighted that all funds raised this year have been used to purchase Lockers for Year 1 to Year 6 Children, which have proven to be very popular indeed, keeping all their belongings neat and tidy and giving them their own space at the same time. We have also released funds for some more Ipads to be purchased. The much needed refurbishment of both the Girls and Boys Toilets has almost been completed and the children are pleased with the results so far.





While our fundraising efforts have been successful, it has also been challenging. We have once again lost valuable members as their children take the next step up to Comprehensive School. We have managed to recruit some new committee members during this last year and their input and fresh ideas continue to help us improve our fundraising activities. However, we are always on the lookout for new members. If you feel you are able to devote some time to the cause, even if it's just an hour to attend one of our meetings or to help hand out flyers for one of our events, please contact Lynda in the School office.

While we appreciate that our lives are becoming increasingly busy and we each become a little more time starved, it is important to remember that every penny raised goes in to the School to enable the school to offer each and every child an equal opportunity of a good standard of education. While local Authority budgets continue to be squeezed, the PTFA raise funds that enable each child to have the use of technology such as the I pads and Chromebooks that they may not be able to access outside of school life. It also enables each child to enjoy social activities such as discos and school fetes and trips, things that the local authority budget don't and are unable

to cover. So, please, if you think you are able to help in any way, however small please get in touch, your gift of time will make a difference to every child within the school community.

We thank you all for your support during the last year and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year.





Hello,

I am Police Community Support Officer James Rees. I have recently taken over the neighbourhood policing role for the locality of Llangyfelach from PCSO Thomas who has moved to pastures new. I am looking forward to working with the residents and build on the community links that PCSO Thomas has already established.

In recent times there have been very few incidents reported in Llangyfelach all have been addressed and dealt with by the Police. I am aware that there are still ongoing problems with parking issues around the vicinity of the DVLA, I will continue to follow PCSO Mark Thomas's good work and monitor the situation. Hopefully, there will be a resolution to these issues by working in partnership with the local councillors and community council.

Over the next year my main priority will be getting to know the area and the local community, so I can effectively deal with any issues that may be impacting on the community. If you would like to speak to me regarding any issues my contact details are below. If you see me out and about the local area, please feel free to stop me for a chat.

The local PACT meetings will continue in the church hall. These meetings provide members of the community with the opportunity to speak to local officers and discuss any concerns. I will make a list of all the dates for the coming year of 2017 and place them in prominent establishments in Llangyfelach. These dates along with other local news can be found on our Twitter page swpswansvalley.

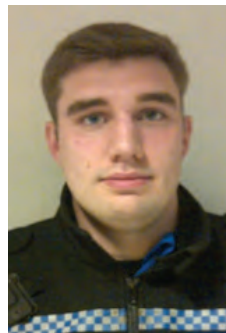
I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from us all at Morriston Neighbourhood Policing team.

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Once again the time has come around for us to contribute a few notes on the activities of our Knitting Group. The members of the group, although small in number, are very faithful in their attendance and contributions of knitted and crocheted items for charity.

This year, we have supported a number of charities. We knit hats and scarves for “Samaritan’s Purse”. Miss Mary Rees collects the items and gives them to a friend, who passes them on to be distributed abroad. We have also supported Mrs. Val Newton – Wales Romanian Aid Foundation. Age Concern no longer requires bottle-top hats as they have had a surplus over the last two years.

We have had some very generous donations of wool from various friends of the knitters. It means we are able to continue with our work without spending a lot of money on wool. Our sincere thanks go to these good friends.

At the beginning of the year – in February, we took a large collection of our knitted jumpers, cardigans, hats, blankets, and some warm clothes to Caer-salem Chapel for collection by the local organisers of the Romanian Aid Foundation. A thankyou letter was kindly received from the local organiser, Mr. Paul Hare, who let us know that the lorry left for Dorhoi, Romania, in early May, after all the collections had been made and sorted. The charity also takes gift boxes (shoe boxes) for children and adults near Christmas time. Last year they were able to send out 1,760 boxes from the Swansea area.

In April one of our ‘at home’ knitters from Velindre, Mrs. Mary Harris, celebrated her 100th birthday. She had a family celebration at the Shepherds Inn, Velindre. We, as a group, send our congratulations and best wishes.

We have, as usual, supported Mrs. Val Newton with financial gifts from time to time – Christmas, holiday times etc. This year was a very important year for Val as she celebrated the 25th Anniversary of her charity Wales Romanian Aid, 1991 – 2016. The charity Wales Romanian Aid was founded by Mrs. Val Newton and her late husband Bill. After watching a





T.V. programme on the plight of orphans in Romania they decided they would like to help. Since then, it has succeeded in re-housing 148 families by building or buying them a house. These families were living in great poverty, living in sheds with no water, electricity and sanitation in many cases. Val and her Romanian colleague, Marius Istate, have been able to transform many peoples live in all sorts of ways – education, new homes, food, furniture and appliances for the home, and medical help of all kinds.

To commemorate the occasion, Val organised a “thank you” party for the various groups that have supported her over the years. Our Knitting Group has been involved in various ways since the beginning. Jean, Bill and Alwyn attended the party as our representative. They were treated to a buffet lunch, Val’s superb puddings, a celebration cake, tea and coffee. There was entertainment by a children’s choir and harpist. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

We were very pleased to welcome back Maureen in September. She had been away for a few months having had a nasty fall at home. It was good to have her back with us once again.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Deacons of Bethel for the weekly use of the vestry for our meetings. Diolch yn fawr.

I would also like to thank all those who have helped us in anyway throughout the year, particularly our “at home” knitters who have again been very generous with the beautiful garments, blankets etc. Thanks go to the Velindre Group, Mrs. Pauline Part (Gwernfadog) and Mrs. Sandra Watson (Llangyfelach). Diolch yn fawr iawn.

We would be delighted to welcome anyone to come along and join us on Wednesday, 2.00p.m. – 3.30p.m. in Bethel Chapel vestry. Croeso i bawb.

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in 2017.

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i bawb.

Margaret McRobbie

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2016 has been a year of celebrations for our Group. The photograph shows some of the members at Elsie's 90th birthday party in September.

Recently we helped Haydn and his wife Elain to mark their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. Line Dancing obviously has some benefits!

We continue to meet each Thursday for exercise and friendship. Our thanks go to the Deacons of Bethel for allowing us the use of the vestry.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Bethel Line Dancers



Elsie's 90th Birthday





Dear Residents,

Once again, I am indebted to the Community Council for the opportunity to contribute to the Christmas Newsletter.

This year has seen the deadline for submissions to the City and County Council Local Development Plan. One large site at the former Velindre Tinplate works has been identified as a potential site for a large Residential development within the Village boundary.

Other sites in neighbouring Wards have also been identified for possible residential development; these will also impact on our Community.

I have concerns in respect of the serious increase in traffic associated with all the sites and have made my submission to the Council expressing those concerns. I have also made those views known in a meeting with a prospective Developer of a site in Mynyddbach Ward, which is provisionally planned to overlap into our Ward.

If this scheme does go ahead, the access to the site is planned on Swansea Road, virtually opposite the entrance to Heol Pentrefelen.

I am not alone in expressing concerns about the impact of possible large scale development in and around our Village. I know, the Community Council, along with concerned Residents have also made submissions to the City and County Council to meet the deadline date.

Over a number of years, parking by D.V.L.A. Personnel has been of great concern to Residents of Penpant Estate. Following public meetings and letter drops by County Council Personnel, as part of the public consultation exercise, traffic regulations are to be introduced, primarily to alleviate problems to Residents, but also to ensure public transport can safely negotiate the area. The road markings have been laid, but, during the carrying out of this operation, both the County Council and I received telephone calls from Residents who were unaware the regulations were being introduced.

At my request and following a further meeting with Traffic Officers to expedite this matter, it has been decided to produce further information to ensure all





Residents are aware of the regulations, prior to the scheme “going live”. Following my most recent meeting with Officers, I learnt that, because of Departmental budget restraints and Officer shortages, the closing order is scheduled to be advertised in the next edition of the Swansea Leader early in the New Year. I know that Residents are anxious, as I am, to see closure of this situation. To say the least, I am not very happy and empathise with Residents at their perceived disappointment with this unfortunate delay. I would be less than honest if I did not tell you the reasons for the latest delay.

The transfer to the ownership of the Community Council of the recreational land at Y Llwyni, commonly referred to as The Village Green, is still unresolved. This is due to Staff shortages in the City and County Legal Department and the retirement of the Chief Legal Officer. I have written to the Acting Chief Legal Officer, pointing out the time taken to resolve this matter and asking her to prioritise the necessary transfer documentation to effect the transfer.

In closing, may I wish you all, a Peaceful Yuletide Season and a Happy New Year.

Gareth Sullivan

34, Pengors Road, Langyfelach





To All Residents of Llangyfelach

How lovely to see so many of you using our Village Green for the purpose it was intended. Children playing, regardless of the season. People walking their dogs, others just walking around the Green enjoying all the beauty of the fifteen different varieties of trees. As a member of Llangyfelach Community Council, it gives me great pleasure on a daily basis. We as a Community can be justifiably proud of having ownership of this lovely Village green right in the heart of the village.

As one of the Neighbourhood Watch Co - ordinators living in Llangyfelach I would like to advise you that if you have any security issues around your home you can always contact me for any assistance you may need. I will give you any help I can, alternatively you can contact the Crime Reduction Officer working with the local Police who will be glad to come to your home to advise you on security measures. Obviously it is very important to keep our homes safe. There are people who can help you achieve this, you just need to contact them.

Whilst we are thinking about security, think about your neighbours who are living on their own. Spare a little time to check that they are well, with no health problems etc. Also if the weather is bad see if they need any shopping. A little kindness goes a long way.

If you notice anything strange or suspicious occurring in the Community, if there are vehicles involved take a note of the registration number, make and colour of vehicle then phone the Police immediately.

Don't forget to tell your Home Insurance Company that you are living in a Neighbourhood Watch Area. Some Insurance Companies will give you a discount for this.

At the time of writing this for the Christmas Newsletter it is mid October. Sadly, we are losing our P.C.S.O. Mark Thomas. He is moving over to the Neath area, still working within the Police Force. I'm sure you all join me in wishing him all the very best for the future and to thank him for all the wonderful work he has done in our Community. He has gone above and beyond what has been expected of him. He will be missed.





In his place we are having two new P.C.S.O. 's. Their names are James Rees and Aimee Heatley. James has been in the Police Force for three years and has been tutored by P.C.S.O. Mark Thomas. James mobile phone number is 07880 - 057620. Secondly we have Aimee Heatley who also has been in the Police Force for three years, also tutored by P.C.S.O. Mark Thomas. Her mobile phone number is 07825 - 022979. I would like you all to welcome them into our Community, and to help them in any way we can. Let 's show them what a great place this is to live and work in.

There is a very useful item on the Internet titled Llangyfelach Streetlife. It's meant for Residents of Llangyfelach who wish to buy or sell items, or if you have lost a pet or just to make comments about what is currently happening within the Village.

It just remains now for me to wish you The Compliments Of The Season with Best Wishes For The New Year

Stay Safe, Stay Secure

Margaret Boyter

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Penllergare Valley Woods – The next step

“The thing that really makes Penllergaer unique is the wonderful undergrowth of rhododendrons and azaleas. Nowhere else in the United Kingdom will you see such a remarkable variety of species and hybrids”. South Wales Daily News 20th August 1910.

The above press review clearly shows the unique position that gardens developed by John Dillwyn Llewlyn held in the horticultural world at the beginning of the 20th century. Sadly not long after that review was written the family left Penllergare and the estate slowly reverted to the wild state discovered by the Penllergare Trust when it formed in 2000. Since that time the Trust has restored the woodland to a place of peaceful tranquillity now experienced by its visitors.

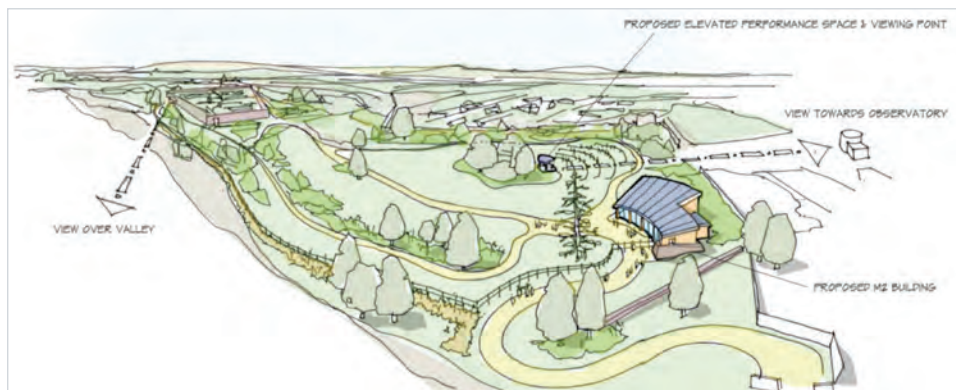
However, having come so far the trust will not rest on its laurels but instead is planning to restore even more of the Victorian estate by acquiring the lease on the walled gardens that have been left undisturbed for more than 50 years.

This exciting new project funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund is designed to breath new life into the kitchen gardens and restore the Vinery and Orchid house. In addition the Trust plan to open up a large area of the over- grown area adjacent to the walled gardens to house a range of plant collections that will provide colour and interest from January to November. With the range of attributes already present at PVW the addition of the following plus the addition of the walled garden and surrounds could result in PVW becoming the most interesting and diverse outdoor visitor attraction in South West Wales.





The plans shown below outlines the proposed development.





As mentioned above the new gardens will feature several collections such as Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Acers and Daffodils. The latter were a particular favourite of Sir John Talbot Llewelyn and the picture below shows Sir John and his head gardener in the walled garden in 1904. In the background you can clearly see the Vinery which will be restored as part of the development.

The photographs were donated by Becky Keeble-Payne Head Gardener at the family home at Llysdinam and she also provided a gift of five pots of one of Sir John's original daffodil hybrids. This exciting addition to our daffodil collection brings the number of varieties to 27 and will provide additional colour right through into May.

Work on this exciting new project is hoped to start in June 2018 and is planned to be completed by 2020.







Serving the community since the 6th Century

Once again on behalf of the worshipping community at St David and Cyfelach Church may I extend to you all a warm welcome to our Advent and Christmas services. Over Christmas we have our usual mix of worship and activities (for the Children we have a Christingle service on 21st December and a Blessing of the Crib service on Christmas Eve).

Sunday 11th December

- 6:00 pm Community Carol by Candle light this year at The Parish Church

Sunday 18th December

- 4:30 pm Christingle at Llangyfelach Parish Church

Christmas Eve

- 4:30pm Blessing of the Crib for children followed by small party in the Church Hall.
- 11:15 pm Carols by Candle Light at St Teilo on the Clase
- 11:30 pm Midnight Mass at St. Teilo on the Clase

Christmas Day

- 9:30 am Christmas Holy Communion at the Parish Church Llangyfelach

May we wish you a very blessed and Happy Christmas and we hope to welcome you to our Christmas celebrations.

Vicar Robert





Sunday School takes place during the Church Service at 10.30am, in the church hall during term time. We then join the service in time for a blessing, and the end of the service, so the children have an experience of church after having fun in the relaxed atmosphere we have in our Sunday School.

All children are welcome, and can, over the age of 3 years, be left unaccompanied, although obviously every child under 3 would need to be accompanied by an adult. During Sunday School the children partake in various activities sometimes involving craft or music. We have handbells that the children are particularly fond of, and there are opportunities for the older children to be involved in helping to lead the service, by being servers, bell ringers or becoming choir members.

We understand that these days children have busier lives than us adults and rarely do all our children manage to come week in week out, and while it would be wonderful to see children regularly every week, please do not feel shy to bring your child along because you can't make it every week – you will be in good company. If you are interested in Sunday School please do not hesitate to contact me, it would be lovely to hear from you.

Best wishes

God Bless

Brenda Richards

2 Pengors Road

01792 775 441





For Cubs, excitement and adventure are key. Their programme offers a huge variety of activities surrounding areas of fitness, global and beliefs; whilst allowing them to be creative and get involved in their local communities. Cubs are introduced to exciting outdoor skills and take part in adventurous activities, as well as camps and residential experiences.



Cub Scouting is based on the Jungle Book.





Scouts aims to build and develop young people's confidence, sense of adventure and outdoor skills, as well as encouraging them to explore their beliefs and attitudes and be creative. It offers them the independence to put these skills into practice at camps and even on international trips.



Scouts are encouraged to work together and take the lead on all sorts of projects, from community based work to planning games and activities for their meetings.

To see more about Beavers, Cubs & Scouts go to <http://6thllangyfelach.weebly.com>





Our pack has had another busy year! January saw us start our Mexican Fiesta badge which involved many crafts including Mandala flowers and maracas. We all learnt basic words and had to greet each other in Spanish when we arrived –

more challenging for the leaders than the girls! We tasted typical Mexican food and spent a very enjoyable evening creating our own fajitas and exotic drinks – a very enjoyable evening was had by all!



After half term we turned our attention to Mothering Sunday making special gifts for these very special ladies. Easter was another busy period too, with lots of crafts that involved chocolate and mini eggs – yummy!! Our term finished with a visit to the Gower Heritage Centre which was amazing.

Following the Easter break we began with a visit to No 600 in Ynystawe for afternoon tea and had a wonderful time. Donna and her team really pampered us with a beautiful selection of cakes and sandwiches – it is well worth a visit if you haven't been there yet! This led us into our celebration of 100 years of the Senior Section – the part of the Guiding movement that caters for older girls. One of our challenges was to get 100 members of our families to attend church in Llangyfelach with us one Sunday morning. We had already visited the church as part of our Community Service to clean it and plant 100 flowers in the grounds. Our thanks go to Vicar Robert for his wonderful welcome to us all again.

After half term we turned our attention to celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday. We had our own 'Bake-Off' where we decorated cakes, made edible bracelets that looked like jewels and, of course, sent a birthday card to London too. We finished for the summer by having our own Big Birthday Party when we invited our friends to share our evening and all had a lovely time.





In September we started our 'Friend to Animals' badge. We visited Pets at Home to learn to care for small animals and met some very friendly rabbits, hamsters and guinea pigs. We were lucky to be visited by more exotic pets from Amazonia in Clydach when we were introduced to a racoon, some snakes and other reptiles with very long names! It was great fun and we learnt a lot about these unusual creatures.

Christmas is coming soon and our evenings are filled with glitter and glue so lots more to look forward to.

Brownies is for all girls aged 7-11 and is held at Llangyfelach Primary School on a Tuesday evening between 6-7.30pm. If you are interested in joining, please come and see us one evening to put your name down on our waiting list.

We would like to thank everyone who has helped and supported us over the last year. May we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2017!

Megan (Brown Owl), Pam, Jen and Diane.



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After an extended period of running introductory sessions, our Under 6's and 7's have started playing regular games on Sunday Mornings up at Playfootball. Both squads are training together up at Morriston School during the week and are developing into a very tight squad. They are really enjoying both their training and the matches. The squad is full of characters and it is great to see them developing not only their footballing skills but also their confidence and the amount of effort put into their goal celebrations is a joy to watch.

At present the squad consists of :- Gethin Huxtable, Dylan Owen, Mason Hayne, Noah Evans, Alfie Sommerville, Oliver Elliott, Jake Coleman, Arthur Thomas, Jacob Amirat, Brody Pearson and Logan Penny and Myfanwy Watson and Meiwen Watson.

I would also like to thank Gavin Griffiths from Griffiths Waste Management for his kind sponsorship. His generosity has allowed us to provide a new playing kit for matchdays and also training jackets to help us to train outdoors through the winter months.

We are looking to increase our numbers of each squad slightly so if you have a child or relative who is interested in starting to play football please get in touch. We are also looking to start some under 5's starter sessions in the new year in readiness for the 2017-18 season. Anyone interested in attending training or getting further information should contact Richard on 07553939362.

***Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Richard, Andrew, Craig and Dan.***





We're well in to our third season of training and the boys are going from strength to strength. Training didn't stop through the summer months as we worked right through. We've definitely got some budding stars in our midst.

The team is coached by James Griffiths and Neil Davies, with help from Nigel Rees and Lee Morgan. We have several new members to the team and the boys are still working hard with their training, every Friday at Play Football, and improving all the time. They have taken the move to grass this year in their stride and are holding their own on the pitch.

Our team now consists of the following players, Aaron Anderson, Alfie Merriker, Conner Griffiths, Ethan Bennett, Ethan Rees, Harri Tunney, Morgan Harris, Oliver Jones, Ostin John, Owen Davies, Ryda Evans, Thomas Mills, Toby Watson, Ty Henry and Vinny Edwards.

The boys play 5 a side in two teams on a Sunday morning at The Dingle. They are improving every week and always enjoying and having fun.





We are now in our third season of football, our squad is currently made up of the following players, Tomas Phillips, Charlie Morgan, Charlie Lawson, Rhys Scannell, Rhys Williams, Lewis Williams, Tyler-Jay Evans, Tyler Jones, Rhys John, Mo Mukheiber, Noah Borthwick, Jaiden Coghlain.

The boys play on a Sunday in SJFL, 6 a side with goal keepers. Every player is improving week on week and are all well behaved and polite (most of the time)! We entered a few tournaments in the summer, playing really well and receiving complimentary comments from other teams parents and coaches. We made the semi final of the SJFL Tournament, getting knocked out on golden goal.

Training is outside at Morriston Leisure Centre, this gives us more room and we are able to put on different sessions each week to help improve the 3 core skills. We have been joined this year by Jordan Gibbs who reduces the average age of the coaches dramatically. He also assists players with Pokomon Go training.

We have been lucky to find a new sponsor this year, Mustafa Mukheiber, and have been able to purchase a new kit and training wear.

The coaching staff is made up of Ashley Lawson, Paul Williams, Andrew Scannell, Mark Morgan and Jordan Gibbs.

Finally, from the Managers, Coaches, Players and Parents of Llangyfelach under 7's, may we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

***Andrew Scannell,
Ashley Lawson,
Paul Williams,
Mark Morgan,
Jordan Gibbs (Gibbsy)***





We are now in our last season of mini football with a huge squad of 22 players. We continue to have two teams the Colts and the Dragons. Each team consisting of 11 players with a format of eight a side. We continue to play three games at different venues every Saturday morning 10.30 am until 12 noon. We have recently changed training venue's from Playfootball.net to Morriston leisure centre, on Wednesday evenings 6-7 pm.

The reason for this was due to the size of our squad and at a bigger training pitch which makes it easier for us to coach to our full potential as we will become an 11 A – Side next season.

On a sad note unfortunately we lost two players at the start of the season, Tom Fethney and Ioan Phillips they had both decided to take a year out due to injuries. All coaches and team mates wish them all the best in their recovery. On a positive note we also gained three new players this season Rhodri Richardson, Jared Collier and Lucas Fulford who have all settled well into their new club.

Once again we held our annual duck race at Blackpill in the summer with an unexpected guest appearance from Ashley Williams (Swansea/Everton). We would like to thank players, parents and grandparents for all their support it helped us raise a fantastic amount for our much needed funds. We also had a great Christmas party at Lazerzone Swansea and then we filled our boots at Cosmo which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

We would like to thank our sponsors for 16/17 season.

3M'S Carpentry and FRF Toyota for their continued generous support.

This season's awards for season 15/16:-

Colts' Manager player – James Courtney.

Dragons' Manager player – Max Thomas.

Most improved players - Lewis Bennett, Morgan Jones, Tom Gorvett.
Carsen Rees.

Players' player - Max Thomas.





Parents' player - James Courtney.

Clubman - Ryan Morcom, Morgan John.

Current squad for 16/17

Morgan John, James Courtney, Morgan Jones, Rhys Jenkins, Carsen Rees, Rio Davies, Joseph Enticknap, Ben Davies, Ashton Kime, Max Thomas, Lewis Bennett, Jensen Yeomans, Kai Butler, Rhodri Richardson, Lucas Fulford, Tom Gorvett, Dilna Wickramaracticti, Ryan Morcom, Cian Jones, Matthew Bidder, Rahul Taneja, Jared collier.

Managers/Coaches

Paul Bennett

Jonathan Thomas

Rob Jenkins

Scott Jones.

On behalf of all the player's and coaches from Llangyfelach under 11s we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year.





Merry Christmas from our under 13 team. We are currently playing our 2nd season of 11-a-side football in the Swansea Junior Football League Division B, Section A which is the highest division we can play at this age group. After a successful 1st season at 11-a-side last season which saw us finish 3rd in our league and reach quarter finals of 2 cup competitions we took the team away on our 2nd annual tour to Minehead for the ESF Festival of Football and it was a great festival which all the boys enjoyed. In addition to that we reached the semi-finals of the Carmarthen Stars festival and we won the Canton Rangers festival after conceding only 1 goal in our 7 games.

This season has been a good season so far. We currently have 15 players registered with the team but we always welcome new, talented players to train with us every Thursday at Playfootball.net in Treboeth with a view to joining the squad. If you know of any players who would be interested in joining, please get in touch with myself on 07980790245.

We have a strong coaching staff of 4 coaches with a coach for goal keepers (Richard), defenders (Rob), midfield (Steve) and attack (James). Of our 15 registered players, 5 play with Cardiff City Development squad at U13 level which provides them opportunities to play against teams from all over England and Wales and they bring that knowledge with them back into the team.

The team will be going on our 3rd tour next year when we will be taking the team to Minehead once more to compete in the ESF Festival of Football as we look to play teams of various abilities and test our brand of football against others from different leagues. This is an event in which the players love to be part of and the parents enjoy themselves too!! This event sees scouts from national teams playing in the premier division attend so the boys get to showcase their talent in front of them and show them what South Wales Football has to offer.

Although tasting defeat in the West Wales FA Cup this season, we find ourselves in the Quarter Final of the SJFL Division B Cup as well as in the draw for the Boys Club of Wales Cup at the turn of the year. We will be pushing for a high league position to carry on our success at 11-a-side football.





We held our end of season presentation event at the Welcome Inn this past August and a great evening was had by all. Our individual winners on the night were as follows:

Manager's Player of the Year: Luke Hier

Players' Player of the Year: Nathaniel Roberts & Luca Gallo

Supporters' Player of the Year: Luke Hier & Thomas Morgan

Merit Award: Jake Stephens & Jacob Jones

Our Captain for the 2016-2017 season is Luca Gallo with Jake Stephens named as Vice-Captain. These boys will lead the team with great pride and we have every confidence in them for the rest of the season.

Our team for the 2016-2017 season

Goal Keepers: Jake Stephens & Sten Orumaa

Defenders: Kai Clark, Joshua Ruse, Jac Thorne, Thomas Morgan, Cameran Bumster

Midfielders: Luke Hier, Bobby Davey, Nathaniel Roberts, Jacob Jones, Cameron Beddows & Cameron Wallace

Strikers: Luca Gallo & Callum Williams

Coaches: James Jackson, Steve Hier, Robert Davey & Richard Morgan



A recent picture from our tour in Butlins Minehead at the ESF Festival of Football in May





2016 has been a great year for our under 14's squad. The turn of the year saw us top of the league table and still in three cup competitions. We went on to reach two quarter finals (West Wales Cup and Swansea Junior League Cup) and being knocked out in the last 16 round of the Boys Club of Wales Cup losing 3-2 to a very strong Brakkla side after extra time. We did however go on to win the league trophy and maintained an unbeaten run throughout the full season.

This season has seen us step to Section A of the Swansea junior league and seen us take on some very good teams. To date we have had 4 wins 2 draws and 2 defeats in the league as well as beating Mumbles Rangers 4-3 after extra time to progress to the 2nd round of the SJFL Cup. Late November see's us take on Neyland Pirates in the WWFA Cup 2nd round so all in all we still have it all to play for.

We have been fortunate to receive sponsorship for Playing Kit and Training wear this season and our thanks go to Louisa Smitham and Ben Evans of Nielsen Motor Factors and also to Scott Williams from Arena Corporation for their financial support.

The under 14's squad consists of:-

Tomas Ayers, Mason Scannell, Morgan Smitham, Evan Hoskins, Osian Green, Ethan Taylor, Tito Anderson, Adam Evans, Shay Rees, Lewis Glover, Korey Palmer, Adam Parvin, Josef Terry, Sam Smith, Ben Lowe and Lewis Taylor.

On behalf of all our players and coaches we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nadolig Llawn

Richard

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Leigh

and Ashley





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Last season as Under 14's was again reasonably successful. We have seen some definite improvements in the overall standard of football in the league, notably Gorseinon who won the treble. We finished third in the league and reached the semi final of the league cup and quarter final of the federation cup, so it was a season without a trophy for a change – I am sure things will change though as we seem to be getting stronger and stronger and the boys are really shining through as a team. They are a pleasure to coach.

There have been quite a few new boys that have joined our team recently which has seen our numbers increase to 18. Some of the boys have been together now for nearly 10 years and have developed as individuals and understand the basic concepts of teamwork. The new boys that have come to our team recently have also improved in a short space of time and will inevitably see a lot of game time over the next few months. Good luck to those boys.

Once again our end of season presentation was held in June at Morriston Rugby Club.

Some of the special awards for 2015/16 went to:

Players' player : Daniel Kivi

Manager's Player : Casey Williams

MIP : Keiran Glover

Clubman : Nathan Beniamous

Top Goalscorer : Josh Carrington

Well done to all the boys.

We now have a strong squad developing this season and this has come through with some of the results we have achieved to date.

Our thanks go out to all of the parents and the tremendous support that they give to the boys in training and on match days.





Our coach Mark Bennet has decided to step down from coaching, but I am sure you will all agree what a great job he has done for the boys over the last 6 years. The boys will miss you.

All that remains to be said is to wish the boys a Merry Christmas and we both look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.





The 2015-16 season saw the team put in some excellent performances before eventually finishing as runners-up in both the League and the Cup. The League was particularly disappointing as the conclusion ended up being decided in a Committee Room rather than on the pitch - with a crucial game not being played.

The Cup Final provided the opportunity for the team to play at Swansea City's Landore ground and for much of the game they played football deserving of their surroundings before losing out to two well-taken counter attack goals. The photo shows the squad at the Dingle prior to heading off to Landore for the Cup Final.

The end of season awards were;

Players' player – Brooklyn Watkins

Manager's Player – Paul Crudge

Most-Improved – Kian Mackennall

Merit Award – Mackenzie Birt





The close-season saw significant changes with five players choosing to leave for various reasons. It took some time to bring in replacements, but the squad is now back up to sixteen players, and we hope that the new recruits will have an enjoyable and successful time with us.

The fixture schedule gave us matches against two of the best teams in the League before our squad was up to strength, resulting in narrow and creditable defeats. However, the team has been steadily improving and playing some excellent football. At the time of writing we have six wins from eight games, so we can look forward confidently to the rest of the season.

The new-look squad currently consists of: Davy Daniel, Mackenzie Birt, Nayan Green, Paul Crudge, Callum Williams, Cameron Prismick, Brooklyn Watkins, Mitchell Davies, Dylan Rich, Taylor Roberts, Rhys Mills, Scott Maunder, Daniel Llewellyn, Tommy-Jay Lloyd, Jackson King and Ethan Power.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Llangyfelach under 16s





Llangyfelach Ladies FC first entered the West Wales Women's and Girls League in 2014/15. We are coached and managed by the fantastic Kevin Crabb and Gareth Jones who enthusiastically give up their free time to help us improve our game.

We are now in our 3rd season and have a wonderful sense of togetherness. Indeed, we have become more of a football family than a football team. Importantly, we have fun both on and off the pitch with regular socials organised to aid team bonding which has helped us become more in sync with each other.

We have consistently finished in the top four and have strived to improve game by game and season by season. Notably, we have high expectations of ourselves and each other and always strive to be the best that we can be and for excellence.

We are currently top of the league: unbeaten with 15 points from 5 games. We also beat Premier League side Cwmbran in the last round of the Welsh Cup and are due to play another Premier League side in the next round of the Welsh Cup, Briton Ferry Ladies FC, this Sunday.

We eat, sleep and breathe football and are very proud to wear the Llangyfelach badge. Vitally, we believe in grass roots football and welcome all players of all ages and abilities.

Wish us luck this season folks and feel free to come and join or support us anytime,

Emrys Jai (Vice Captain)







Chapel House, Bethel, Llangyfelach is adjacent to Bethel Presbyterian chapel and has been in occupation for two hundred and nine years as the establishment for the caretaker of Bethel Chapel since the chapel, vestry and chapel house were built in 1808. Over the two hundred years the caretaker has had the responsibility of maintaining the chapel to suit the needs of the villagers who attended Bethel Chapel for services and the use of the vestry for various needs of our visitors. The present incumbent is Mrs. Ruddwen Mainwaring who has lived in Llangyfelach for the past fifteen years. In the 1940's Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Rees were chapel members and they became caretakers of the chapel with their three children, Margaret, Beryl and Alwyn. In the 50's Mr. and Mrs. Handel Davies and their son, Arwel, became the caretakers for a number of years.

It was with great sadness to hear that two members of Bethel Chapel had passed away during the year. Mr. Handel Davies and Mrs. Beryl Shackson.

Mr. Handel Davies and his wife Gwyneira have lived in Llangyfelach for over sixty years and he was employed as a deputy in the local mines with the NCB, while Gwyneira worked for many years as caretaker of Llangyfelach Primary School.

Mrs. Beryl Shackson was brought up in Llangyfelach where she attended the local school and Gowerton Girls Grammar School. She graduated in Welsh from Swansea University College of Wales. She began her teaching career in Builth Wells and Lampeter, later returning to Swansea to teach in Swansea High School for Girls and finally at Olchfa Comprehensive School.

On her marriage to Mr. Terry Shackson in 1973 she moved to Cardiff, where her husband Terry worked. She carried on teaching in Cardiff until they both retired. On their return to Swansea they lived in the Mayals.

Beryl was a faithful member and very active in Bethel chapel activities. She was also the Treasurer of the West Glamorgan Presbyterian Sisterhood.





Both will be sadly missed in Bethel as their contribution was important for the work of the chapel.

Services continue to take place regularly at Bethel Chapel, every Sunday at 10.30a.m. and 3.00p.m., even though the membership continues to decline.

During the week a number of local organisations use the vestry regularly.

Every month the chapel welcomes members of the South Wales and London Presbyterian Church with guest speakers, usually on a Tuesday evening at 6.30p.m. The Presbyterian Church of Wales still continues to use Bethel Chapel



as a cultural centre, inviting eminent speakers to give historical knowledge of the past in Wales.

This year's Community Carol Service is being held in Llangyfelach Parish Church on Sunday, 11th December 2016, at 6.00p.m. under the auspices of Vicar Robert Hannen-Davies. Our members look forward to this occasion.

The following activities occur in our Vestry during the week:

Monday Women's Institute
7.00p.m., fortnightly

Tuesday Presbyterian Church Service
6.30p.m., monthly

Wednesday Knitting Class 2.00p.m., weekly

Thursday Line Dancing 2.00p.m., weekly
Band Practice 6.30p.m., weekly

We will have a Christmas morning service in Bethel Chapel on Sunday, 25th December 2016 at 9.30a.m. All are welcome.

Our members at Bethel Chapel wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year in 2017.

Nadolig Llawn a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda.





We have had another fairly busy year with plenty of variety in our programme.

Lionel Hopkins started us off with his experiences as a prison chaplain. We have heard about the gentry families of old Llangyfelach. Our outings have included Llanelli House, Sandpiper Lake, Cardiff and the Botanical Gardens in Singleton Park.

One evening a lady brought along a collection of clothes and advised us on dressing for our shape and colouring.

We have had several “get togethers “ with other Institutes when we tried our hands at curlingnot our hair, had a fashion show, eaten and been entertained at Margam Orangery , taken part in a quiz in Porthcawl and been to the Dylan Thomas Theatre for a performance by Theatre Na Nog .

Several of us went to Brighton for the Annual Meeting of WIs.

On a sadder note we have lost 3 of our long standing members Gwen Phillips, Jill Condon and our secretary Dot Liscombe.

We look forward to welcoming visitors and new members in the coming year.

May I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year.

Carol Sullivan (President)

01792 773441







Once again we have had an enjoyable year together with interesting speakers. Mark, our Community Police Officer, spoke on Safety and Security at Home. Film shows, the projector kindly lent by the Vicar. Trips to Carmarthen and Abergavenny, also Llanelli House where we had a guided tour and afternoon tea.

In June we had our Wimbledon Tea – strawberries, scones and cream – and were entertained by Carl with his guitar and sing-song.

In October we had our Anniversary Lunch at the Plough and Harrow – most enjoyable.

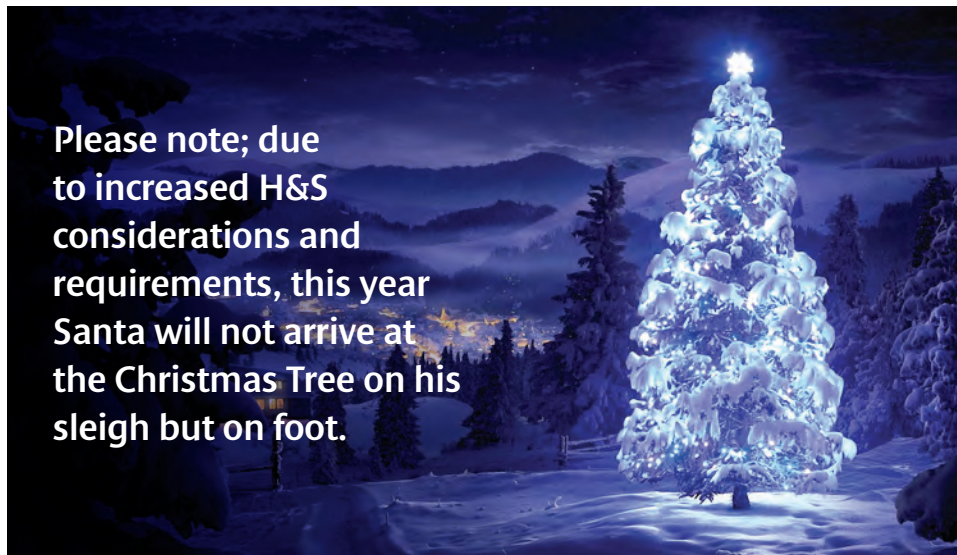
Our December meetings are lunch in the Plough and Harrow (we do enjoy our meals out), and carols and mince pies.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month in the Church hall 2p.m. – 4p.m. A warm welcome to everyone.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Diana Thomas
01792 773248

Please note; due to increased H&S considerations and requirements, this year Santa will not arrive at the Christmas Tree on his sleigh but on foot.





Llangyfelach Community Council Chairman at the Queen's Garden Party

On 10th May the village were represented at the Queen's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace by our Chairman Phil Crayford accompanied by his partner Ms Roz Christmas. This is the first time that Llangyfelach Community Council as had the honour of being selected to attend this annual event.

Although the weather on the day was cloudy with heavy showers it did not put a damper on the atmosphere within the Palace and gardens. Fortunately the day was attended by Her Majesty the Queen accompanied by Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh and Sophie, Countess of Wessex.

Although not selected to personally meet the Royal Party Phil and Roz mixed with many other dignitaries from all walks of life putting both Swansea and the village on the map. He says that they felt very privileged and honoured to represent the Village and Community Council at such an important day in Her Majesty's diary.



Phil & Roz arrive at the Palace and within the grounds at the garden party.





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Christmas Illuminations

Friday 9th December 2016

Once again Father Christmas will be with us to switch on the Christmas Tree Lights.

Come and meet him at 6.15pm at the Christmas Tree on the green by the Plough & Harrow. Then for those of you that are young enough, visit him in his grotto in the Church Hall.

