

COMMUNITY NEWS

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The Community News is an information service from PACDG - the Presteigne Area Community Development Group
"Working Together For The Community"

PLEASE NOTE A CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE COMMUNITY NEWS

email news@pacdg.org to contact the Editor

- if you have any questions on what's happening - or not happening - in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction - email the Editor on news@pacdg.org
- please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents
- and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.

...AND IF YOU NEED TO CHECK BACK ON PAST ISSUES FOR INFORMATION, YOU CAN SEE THESE (along with lots of other good information) ON THE TOWN WEBSITE www.presteigne.org.uk/calendar

...from the Royal Oak. We're very grateful for all the donations received towards the Nigel Powell memorial bench with over £780 raised and more still coming in! Local man Adrian Pearce has made the bench and the finishing touches are being made on it. Adrian has topped off all the generosity by saying he would like nothing in return and for it all to be donated to the Air Ambulance in memory of Nigel to which we are greatly thankful. Thank you Adrian! We plan to unveil the bench on Saturday 22nd August to coincide with what would have been Nigel's 70th that week (Covid guidelines allowing of course). It is certainly fitting of Nigel so we look forward to when it's in pride of place outside of the Oak. Thank you all for your support.

...Wilson Terrace Play Area. In case you hadn't noticed, the Wilson Terrace play area has been re-opened by PCC. The area has been deep cleaned and some equipment (e.g. a swing seat) temporarily removed to aid social distancing. There are advisory notices on the entrances which ask parents, guardians and carers to observe the following so that children can enjoy safe play:

- Supervise children when using the play area.
- Do not enter if you have any COVID 19 symptoms.
- Observe social distancing: Only one household should use an item of play equipment at any one time. The number of people (children and adults) to be in the play area at any one time is shown on the gates - please respect this and comply.
- Make sure that children wash or sanitise their hands before and after using the play equipment and avoid touching their faces.
- Do not bring food or drink into the play area.

The TC asks that everyone exercises extreme care and to follow the guidelines to stay safe !

...ed. with the increased requirement for wearing masks, I saw this on line and just had to share. Sorry !Treat your mask like your pants or knickers: do not touch or adjust (especially in public) - make sure the fit is tight but comfortable - do not borrow someone else's - make sure it's clean - if it's damp, change it - PLEASE don't go commando!

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

(things keep changing so, best first check information on websites or Facebook pages)

...from Gill Collins about Presteigne Library. Hi there to all library users. I'm not sure how many of you are in the know about the order and collect service for library books, available now, from Presteigne Library. Start with the PCC library service, and follow the web form, selection of books from Llandrindod, and request collection from Presteigne library. There is

also a notice in Presteigne library window if you need more info. Keep the library going until we can be there in person!

...from Grace's Beauty Saloon. It has been a tough 4 months for so many. We have missed our clients so much and can't wait to get back to the salon very soon. We are waiting to see if Wales will follow England in avoiding any facial treatments for the time being hence delaying booking until we get confirmation. We will be in the salon over the weekend of 1st August making appointments for the following week. Phone line 01544 260440 will be very active from Saturday 1st August. Please bare with us, we have a massive list to get through! So looking forward to seeing everyone very soon. Take care xx

...don't forget two-hours free parking in both Presteigne's Pay & Display car parks starts today, Saturday 25th and continues until the last day of the summer holidays, Bank Holiday Monday, 31 August.

...from Ian, Presteigne Barber. Some spaces available for Thursday(home visits or in Norton), Friday and Saturday in Presteigne still only appointment only. Bookings taken via messenger or on 07977 000741.

...from Chilvers Country Store, Presteigne. New fresh plants in at Presteigne! Great selection and most of them are yet to flower! Pop in and take a look.

...from the Salty Dog. Pitch Farm Cherries, Park Farm Berries, Moorcourt Strawberries and Cherries, Local Tomatoes, Beans and Peas, Flat Peaches, Flat Nectarines and Greengages in and around The Salty Dog.

...from Weobley Ash. Free store parking and hand washing facilities. Fine selection of fruit, vegetables and meats. Beef, pork and mutton joints, kebabs, sausages, steaks and chicken. Open from 9-4 Tuesday to Saturday. Or call 01544 598120 to order

...from MidCounties Co-op, Knighton. You can receive 10% off every Tuesday if you're over 60 and a member! Terms & Conditions apply: www.midcounties.coop/landing-pages/Diamonddaydiscount/

...from the Royal Oak. See our Facebook page for this week's Sunday Roast menu for takeaway. Available for pick up at the pub or we can deliver in Presteigne, Norton and a couple miles radius of town. Booking is essential as we do fill up fairly quickly.

...from Presteigne Gates. As of today 24th July, we ask for all customers to wear face masks when coming to Presteigne Gates as you are aware we have a shop which most customers enter to browse and pay for items. So we would like ALL customers to wear them. You could be fined £100 for not wearing one. We should not have to ask you to wear them, it is now a legal requirement, it puts our staff in a difficult position to have to ask - and would you also make sure you are using hand sanitiser provided. This is to help keep both staff and customers safe as we have a lot of people from different areas coming to the yard. Many Thanks , John

OTHER INFORMATION

...from the Welsh Government - Job Opportunity. Do you want to help promote [#Census2021](https://www.gov.uk/government/campaigns/census2021) in your area? Good news, Census 2021 are hiring people from across England and Wales to help ensure everyone is counted. Find out more here: <https://crowd.in/UK6zNM>

...from the Welsh Government. When you go to a restaurant, pub or cafe you'll be asked for your name, phone number, and the time and date you visited. It's just like sharing information to book, except it's all about keeping everyone safe. These details will help us prevent outbreaks, and make sure that you can enjoy yourselves confidently and safely this summer.

...from Presteigne Festival. Only a month to go until Presteigne Digital – Eight specially filmed chamber concerts featuring premieres by Joseph Phibbs, Ninfea Cruttwell-Reade, Emma-Ruth Richards, Amelia Clarkson, Martin Butler, Tarik O'Regan and Robin Haigh plus three fabulous literary events filmed in and around Presteigne – 24-27 August. Artists include Carducci String

Quartet, Clare Hammond, Tim Horton, Mathilde Milwidsky, Amy Dickson, Bradley Smith, Oliver Wass - Harpist, Christopher Good and the Nova Music ensemble. Full details to be posted on the Festival website soon!

...from Arrow Medical, Job opportunity. Arrow Medical Ltd (Kington) has a vacancy for someone to make PPE in the clean room/factory. Full time / shift work basis only. If interested please call 01544 231 760 or email m.williams@arrowmedical.co.uk for an application form.

...from the MidBorder News. The Autumn edition of the MidBorder News has just gone off to the printer. It's got lots of useful information in it, plus articles, pics and some amusing bits. We've increased the print run to 1300 (thank you Knighton Town Council for taking a page and enabling us to do that) and there are 20 pages (up from our usual 16) thanks to all you lovely people who took out an advert. As a non profit enterprise we use ad revenue to print more pages and more issues. I must add that if it wasn't for the support of Kington Town Council, which takes 2 pages, we wouldn't exist at all, so huge thanks to them too.

...from Powys Teaching Health Board. Contact tracing helps protect our communities and stops the spread of the virus. Your information will never be shared with the police or immigration services. #TestTraceProtect #KeepPowysSafe <https://gov.wales/coronavirus>

...from Powys CC. Registration for the new 'Eat Out to Help Out' scheme is open. Register your establishment now and be ready to offer your customers a discount of up to £10 each, Monday – Wednesday, from 3rd August. #SupportLocalPowys. Businesses will be able to submit claims for reimbursements on a weekly basis from 7 August and HMRC will pay eligible claims within 5 working days. Registration will close on 31 August. Sign up! at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/register-your-establishment-for-the-eat-out-to-help-out-scheme>

...from PAVO Wellbeing. It may be grey and cloudy outside but we have some uplifting news & info including lots of funding opportunities in our latest PAVO COVID 19 Bulletin. Visit our website and sign up to receive our free regular bulletin.

...from Public Health Wales. The latest number of confirmed cases of Coronavirus in Wales has been updated. Data dashboard: pc tinyurl.com/wgthkgs, mobile tinyurl.com/ybm8yare. Find out how we are responding to the spread of the virus in our daily statement here: tinyurl.com/

...from Business Wales. If you are an existing supplier of PPE or critical equipment or are able to provide any additional support on either manufacturing, repurposing products or innovation, please click here - <https://businesswales.gov.wales/news-and-blogs/news/provision-critical-equipment-and-personal-protection-equipment-ppe>

...from Powys Road Safety. When is your MOT test? During the big lock, a six month exception was given to owners for a MOT test. As the restrictions are relax, and garages reopen, remember to check when you should have your MOT. Don't forget: <https://www.gov.uk/check-mot-status>

...from Powys CC. Latest news: Plans for September school return. Work to plan a safe and organised return for all pupils in September is ongoing, Powys County Council has said. The council is working with all its schools to ensure that all pupils will return safely after the summer holidays. Although approaches will vary among schools, all pupils will be able to resume full time education by September 14, in line with the recent Welsh Government announcement. Following discussions with headteachers and teaching unions, the following arrangements for Powys schools will be:

1st September: Staff only day - Planning and preparation for the re-opening of schools following Coronavirus

2nd September: Staff only day - Planning and preparation for the re-opening of schools following Coronavirus

3rd to 11th September: Welcoming children and young people back to school, using a "phased return" approach with specific timetables designed for particular cohorts / years to return on different days. Given the current position, the council believes that a "phased return" approach

will be the most effective for the county, with each school aiming to welcome all children back to school by 10/09/20 or 11/09/20.

14th September: All schools open for all children. Headteachers will contact parents or guardians with the specific details of their children's school.

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