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- Please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents email pacdg@icloud.com
- and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.

Presteigne Screen has six DVD copies of the 2019 Presteigne Pantomime to loan to anyone who would like to relive the wonders of last years "live" performance. If you would like to borrow a copy please get in touch with Tony Lawson, 01544 260326.

On Thursday, Firefighters in Presteigne paid tribute to the efforts of Barbara Roberts and her brilliant team of sewing ladies (Sew Presteigne) who have produced more than 1,400 scrub bags for use by hospital and care home staff. The town's fire brigade invited the ladies to join them for the Clap for NHS staff and carers.

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

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

...from Shepherds Icecream. We'll be back to Presteigne and Kington again next week with our latest specials, Elderflower Sorbet and Amarena Cherry Yoghurt. We will be driving from Hay-on-Wye via Eardisley on Friday 22nd May so if you're anywhere along that route get in touch and we can probably deliver to you too. £4.60 per 1/4 litre tub - minimum order 4 tubs for home delivery. 01497 821898

...from Weobley Ash. Meat and veg boxes delivered. Beef box for 4 £60 for 5 £75. Includes roasting joint, mince, dice, steaks and burgers. Mixed meat box of beef, pork or lamb as above. Bbq box for 4 £45 Inc Chinese pork kebabs, plain pork sausage, burgers and peppered steaks. Veg and fruit boxes £20 and £30. Breakfast box, sausage, dry cured bacon, eggs, beans. All meat grass fed, native and butchered in store. To book your order call 01544 598120 or email shop@weobleyash.co.uk PM on FaceBook

...from The Salty Dog. Good Afternoon lovely Salty Dog Customers. Please contact us to be put on the mailing list for our order form for collection or delivery of fruit and veg, and Food to Order Menu. To order, email thesaltydogpresteigne@hotmail.co.uk. If you would like to talk to us regarding any dietary requirements, call us on 01544 267720 Leon's Food to Order - all our meals are made fresh to order by our resident chef, Ross Mc Queen. Order from the list below on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, and collect on Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

<u>Albondigas (meatballs)</u> £6.50 - Albondigas Romesco, Albondigas Bravas <u>Paella</u> - £8.50 (serves two as a main course or four as tapas) Chicken & Chorizo Paella, Seafood Paella, Vegetarian Paella, Salty Dog Special Paella.

Plus....Thai Green Curry £5, Spicy Chicken Wings £5, Persian BBQ Ribs £6.50, Chicken Tikka Salad £5, plus Basmati Rice, and a selection of sides and salads.

...from Presteigne Spar. Job Alert - Calling all Self Employed Drivers. We need some help getting our food deliveries out to customers in the local area. So we're still recruiting for Self Employed drivers with: a full driving licence and their own vehicle and Business Car Insurance who would be able to deliver food deliveries within our community. Hit the link to find out more and to apply now! https://afblakemore.livevacancies.co.uk

...from Amanda's Bread. We really appreciate your interest and support in our baking and delivery activities as it is enabling us to continue baking during these crazy times. We do feel very privileged that we can continue to work and to you offer this service. Please email me for a full product list, although nothing is set in stone and the variety of products available may vary each week. This is due to seasonal availability, the unpredictability of getting hold of baking supplies at the moment and just to give everyone (including us) a bit of variety. Bread and other products are available on a first come, first served basis, so we recommend early ordering. Here is the list of cakes, pasties and preserves below are available to order this week. Order today, Monday 18th May for delivery on Thursday 21st May and Saturday 23rd May. If you miss the Monday ordering deadline, please do still get in touch but be aware that we are less likely to be able to fulfil your order. To order, email Amanda at asimpsonatkins1@gmail.com.

Cakes: Cloister fruitcake (vegan, spelt, no sugar or fat), Brownie (no gluten), sticky pear and, ginger (spelt), lemon (spelt), dark chocolate (spelt), rosy rhubarb, fruity, seeded flapjack (vegan), walnut bars

<u>Vegan Pasties:</u> spiced sweet potato, aubergine, chickpea and pepper, spring green, green lentil, tomato, basil and walnut, sweet potato, peanut and lime <u>Preserves:</u> seville orange marmalade, grapefruit and bergamot marmalade, apricot and apple chutney, rhubarb and orange chutney, spiced pumpkin chutney, medlar jelly

THINGS TO DO WHILE COCOONING

...from Hay Festival. We are delighted to announce Hay Festival Digital #Imaginetheworld which will be FREE to view and runs from 18–31 May 2020. We have worked hard to ensure our virtual Festival doors are wide open and look forward to sharing Hay Festival Digital with you. Thank you all for your very kind and deeply moving messages of encouragement, and for your generous lifeline of financial support. We have created a thank you page to all our #HayMakers donors. For details and to view the Digital Festival and the Podcast, see www.hayfestival.com

...a reminder on Free shows. The theatres may be empty at the moment, but that doesn't mean you have to miss out on those Broadway and West End wonders. Many theatres are sharing shows for you to watch for free from the comfort of your own home. You'll have to be quick though as they're often only available for a limited time. Enter the world of the virtual theatre (click on the blue underlined link)...

<u>The Globe Theatre</u>, home of all things Shakespeare, is giving free access to a number of their recorded plays on <u>YouTube</u>. Each will be available for two weeks, so there should be plenty of time to view. You can view a full list of performances <u>here</u>.

<u>The National Theatre</u> are streaming a new full-length play on <u>YouTube</u> every Thursday. Once released, each play will be available for a whole week.

<u>Andrew Lloyd Webber – The Shows Must Go On</u>. Every week a full-length performance of one of his shows is available for 48 hours on YouTube <u>The Shows Must Go On</u>. <u>The Royal Opera House</u> are releasing a series of free-to-watch performances to keep you going. You can find the videos on their YouTube playlist <u>#OurHouseToYourHouse</u>.

BBC's Culture in Quarantine. YouTube's not the only place to find quality theatre content in lockdown. The BBC have released a series of plays on BBC iPlayer – it's a mixture of performances from the Royal Shakespeare Company, Shakespeare's Globe Theatre and the Royal Opera House, so you're sure to find something you like. It's available for between 1 and 4 months, so you don't need to rush.

<u>Cirque Du</u> Soleil are uploading a 60-minute special to their <u>YouTube channel</u> each week to keep their audiences entertained. Plus, there's even a sing-a-long special so you can get involved in the action (but we'd recommend forgetting the fire).

<u>Southwark Playhouse</u> have created a streaming platform, the <u>Southwark Stayhouse</u> where you can watch a selection of their productions for free. These include the 2018 musical, Wasted, and their take on Shakespeare's Twelfth Night set at a music_festival!

OTHER INFORMATION

...from the NHS. It's important that routine childhood immunisations are started and completed on time. This helps to protect infants and children from a range of serious and sometimes life-threatening infections. Mum, Frances, speaks about her recent experience during the pandemic. #HelpUsHelpYou https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/

...from our Town Council. Latest Planning Application in: 20/0462/HH Grid Reference: E:331147 N: 264636. Proposal: Erection of storage shed. Site Address: 4 Castle Dyche, Scottleton Street, Presteigne, LD8 2BL. To be considered at the meeting of the Town Council to be held on 20th May (via video conferencing).

...from Powys Recycles. Bulky waste collections, temporarily suspended at the beginning of the lockdown, will now resume and are available to book online.Collections can be booked online and are currently limited to 10 collection slots per day from each depot. Initially, for the first few weeks, we will be unable to collect fridges, freezers or televisions as we currently do not have an outlet to recycle these hazardous electricals safely. As before, up to three standard items can be collected for a £30 charge. On the day of collection, all items must be left outside, as close to the boundary of the property as possible. Crews will be unable to enter your property or remove items from houses, sheds or garages. For more details and to book a collections, please visit: https://en.powys.gov.uk/recycle

...from the Powys Police and Crime Commissioner. Dafydd Llywelyn is an elected official charged with securing an effective and efficient policing that meets the needs of the community. One of the main aspect of the role is to engage with communities and represent the public's voice on policing matters. At present, we are looking to tailor our engagement methodology to better engage with and inform all residents, partners and community groups within the Dyfed-Powys area; even more so during these unprecedented times. We would very much appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes of your time to complete this questionnaire, so that we can look to develop better engagement and communication. https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DPOPCCMay2020

...from the Welsh Government. Important announcement by the Welsh Government about schools in Wales. They have also published their decision framework for the next phase of education and childcare https://gov.wales/decision-framework-next-phase-education-and-childcare

- ...from Powys Health Visiting Service. Just a reminder: During the Covid-19 pandemic social distancing restrictions Powys health visitors are continuing to deliver health visiting services in all areas. They are however adapting practice for the safety of both service users and staff and therefore limiting face to face contact based on need. You can continue to contact your named health visitor on the usual telephone number or the central hub 01874 612173. You can also email: PowysHVandSN@wales.nhs.uk It is vitally important that you make contact with your health visitor or GP if you have any concerns about your child and that you access the immunisation programme at the scheduled time. Thank you for your patience during this unprecedented period.
- ...a thank-you from PCC. We are grateful to all the staff who are working hard to keep the childcare hubs open for the children of keyworkers. Whether they are caring for the kids, cooking them healthy meals or keeping the schools scrupulously clean, they are all doing a great job.
- ...from Recycle Now. We can all do our bit to ensure a good waste and #recycling service. Like washing our hands, disinfecting bins and container handles, and keeping our distance from recycling and collection crews while they're working. For more information visit https://bit.ly/2WY1UpS

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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 - simply email pacdg@icloud.com.