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Santa and Tree from Pentrecelyn Christmas Fair

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## **Newyddion Ysgol Pentrecelyn**

# Diolchgarwch yng Nghapel Bethel Pentrecelyn / Thanksgiving at Pentrecelyn MC Chapel

Braf oedd gweld ein teuluoedd a ffrindiau yn ymuno a ni yng Nghapel Bethel Pentrecelyn i glywed negeseuon pwysig gan ein plant. Mae pob plentyn wedi magu hyder i berfformio o safon, da iawn wir.

Diolch i CRhFfaA am drefnu'r gweithdy blodau gyda Ellen Firth o Ffirth and Flock Flowers, ac i Gapel Pentrecelyn am adael i ni ddefnyddio'r Capel unwaith eto, roedd y Capel yn edrych ar ei orau.

Casglwyd £103.75 i elusen DPJ ar y diwrnod.

It was nice to see our families and friends join us at Capel Bethel Pentrecelyn to hear important messages from our children. All children have gained confidence to perform to a high standard, very good indeed.

Thanks to PTFA for organising the flower workshop with Ellen Firth from Firth and Flock Flowers, and to Capel Pentrecelyn for letting us use the Chapel once again, the Chapel was looking its best.

£103.75 was collected for the DPJ charity on the day.





# Cerdd Gydweithredol Sir Ddinbych / Denbighshire Music Co-operative

Rydym yn falch iawn o weld llawer o blant Pentrecelyn yn manteisio ar wersi offerynnol, diolch i Joe Pearson o Gerdd Gydweithredol Sir Ddinbych.

We are very pleased to see many Pentrecelyn children taking advantage of instrumental lessons, thanks to Joe Pearson from Denbighshire Music Cooperative.

#### Gemau gyda Llio o'r Urdd / Games with Llio from the Urdd

Mae'r disgyblion wrth ei boddau yn dysgu sgiliau newydd gyda Llio o'r Urdd, Pêl-rwyd oedd hi wythnos yma!

The pupils love learning new skills with Llio from the Urdd, it was Netball this week!

#### Sgwrs - Paid Cyffwrdd Dweud / Talk - Don't Touch, Tell.

Roedd y plant wedi mwynhau a dysgu sgiliau bywyd pwysig yn ddiweddar wrth wrando ar y sgwrs 'Paid Cyffwrdd, Dweud'

The children had recently enjoyed and learned important life skills while listening to the talk 'Don't Touch, Tell'

#### Cog Urdd

Cafwyd cystadleuaeth Cog Urdd wych yn yr ysgol eto eleni ac roedd hi yn waith anodd iawn i'n beirniaid benderfynu'r pryd buddugol. Llongyfarchiadau mawr i chi gyd ac i Ela am ddod yn fuddugol yn gystadleuaeth y Sir a byddi yn mynd ym mlaen nawr i Eisteddfod Genedlaethol yn Maldwyn.

There was a great Cog Urdd competition at the school again this year and it was a very difficult job for our judges to decide the winning dish. Congratulations to you all and to Ela for winning the County competition and you will now go on to the National Eisteddfod in Montgomeryshire.

#### **Diogelwch Tan Fire Safety**

Diolch i Gwawr o dîm Gwasanaeth Tân ac Achub Gogledd Cymru am y sgwrs diogelwch tân i blant yr ysgol gyfan, roedd y plant wedi mwynhau yn fawr ac wedi dysgu llawer am ein gwasanaeth tân.

Thanks to Gwawr from the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service team for the fire safety talk for the children of the whole school, the children really enjoyed it and learned a lot about our fire service.

#### Plant Mewn Angen / Children in Need

Cafwyd diwrnod llawn prysurdeb a hwyl yma yn Ysgol Pentrecelyn yn dathlu a chodi arian tuag at Blant Mewn Angen. Llongyfarchiadau hefyd i ein teuluoedd a gerddodd i ben Moel Famau yn y tywyllwch ar y nos Wener i hel arian at yr achos.

Roedd y plant wedi mwynhau ail greu'r llun o gyn disgyblion o 30 mlynedd yn ôl sydd yn ymddangos ar ein tudalen Facebook 'Dathlu Pen-blwydd Ysgol Pentrecelyn yn 150oed'

There was a busy and fun day here at Ysgol Pentrecelyn celebrating and raising money for Children in Need. Congratulations also to our families who walked to Moel Famau in the dark on Friday night to raise money for the cause.

The children enjoyed re-creating the picture of former pupils from 30 years ago which appears on our Facebook page 'Celebrating Pentrecelyn School's 150th Anniversary' <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553237597595">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553237597595</a>

#### **Cylch Meithrin Ysgol Pentrecelyn**

Mae ein Cylch Meithrin yn parhau i dyfu ac erbyn hyn yn cynnig dau ddiwrnod llawn ar gyfer disgyblion o 2 oed. Mae'r Cylch yn cyd-weithio yn hynod o effeithiol gyda'n dosbarth Cyfnod Sylfaen o fewn yr un ardal. Mae adborth rhieni yn canmol pa mor rhwydd yw trosglwyddo o'r cylch i ddosbarth meithrin a derbyn wedyn. Mae sesiynau blasu ar gael drwy gysylltu gydag Anti Jemma ar 01978 790288

Gweler hefyd Facebook Cylch Meithrin Ysgol Pentrecelyn

Our Cylch Meithrin continues to grow and now offers two full days for pupils aged 2 years.

The Cylch works together extremely effectively with our Foundation Phase class within the same area. Parents' feedback praises how easy it is to transfer from the cylch to a nursery class and then reception. Tasting sessions are available by contacting Aunty Jemma on 01978 790288

See also Cylch Meithrin Ysgol Pentrecelyn's Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=cylch%20meithrin%20ysgol%20pentrecelyn

#### Ffair Nadolig /Chrsitmas Fair

Cynhelir ein Ffair Nadolig eleni yn yr HWB Cymunedol yn Llysfasi. Noson lwyddiannus iawn ac roedd hi yn braf gweld ein teuluoedd a'r gymuned yn ymuno i gymdeithasu, mwynhau paned a hel atgofion wrth edrych ar ran o'r arddangosfa dathliadau penblwydd yr ysgol yn 150oed. Our Christmas Fair was held at the Community HUB in Llysfasi this year as the school is now undergoing a solar panel installation. It was a very successful evening and it was nice to see our families and our community joining together to socialise, enjoy a cup of tea and reminisce while looking at part of the exhibition celebrating the school's 150th anniversary.



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#### A WORD FROM KEITH

Before anything else please may I wish you all a Merry Christmas (if you receive the Chronicle before Christmas) and a prosperous and peaceful New Year. I say that to you all, including the very few in the community who have tried their hardest over the last couple of years to block the development of Cae Llinos. I hope this next year allows you to see that Cae Llinos will be of benefit to everyone in the community, including yourselves.

On a personal note, I wish to thank all the volunteers that help me to distribute almost 500 copies of the Chronicle around the community and a very special thank you goes to Dave Hislop who does all the set-up for me. Without you all there would not be Chronicle.

I also need to say that I do try to publish different points of view in the Chronicle which are not necessarily my own point of view.

Please do not forget that I am still looking for someone to take over the editorship of the Chronicle as I reach a very significant age. I will obviously give any assistance I can to any successor.

The deadline for input for the March 2024 edition will be March 8th and the contact as usual is :- The Bridles, 01824707506, 07950673985 or <a href="www.keefiedi@gmail.com">www.keefiedi@gmail.com</a> (as a Word attachment to your email if possible).

#### GAIR GAN KEITH

Cyn unrhyw beth arall os gwelwch yn dda hoffwn ddymuno Nadolig Llawen i chi gyd (os derbyniwch y Chronicle cyn y Nadolig) a Blwyddyn Newydd lewyrchus a heddychlon. Dywedaf hynny wrthych i gyd, gan gynnwys yr ychydig iawn yn y gymuned sydd wedi gwneud eu gorau glas dros yr ychydig flynyddoedd diwethaf i rwystro datblygiad Cae Llinos. Gobeithiaf y bydd y flwyddyn nesaf yn caniatáu ichi weld y bydd Cae Llinos o fudd i bawb yn y gymuned, gan gynnwys eich hunain.

Ar nodyn personol hoffwn ddiolch i'r holl wirfoddolwyr sydd wedi fy helpu i ddosbarthu bron i 500 copi o'r Chronicle o gwmpas y gymuned a diolch arbennig iawn i Dave Hislop sy'n gwneud yr holl waith gosod i mi. Heboch chi i gyd ni fyddai Chronicle.

Mae angen i mi ddweud hefyd fy mod yn ceisio cyhoeddi safbwyntiau gwahanol yn y Chronicle nad ydynt o reidrwydd yn safbwynt fy hun.

Peidiwch ag anghofio fy mod yn dal i chwilio am rywun i gymryd drosodd golygyddiaeth y Chronicle wrth i mi gyrraedd oedran arwyddocaol iawn. Byddaf yn amlwg yn rhoi unrhyw gymorth y gallaf i unrhyw olynydd.

Y dyddiad cau ar gyfer rhifyn Mawrth 2024 fydd Mawrth 8fed a'r cyswllt fel arfer yw :- Y ffrwynau, 01824707506, 07950673985 neu <a href="www.keefiedi@gmail.com">www.keefiedi@gmail.com</a> (fel atodiad Word i'ch e-bost os yn bosibl).

# Newyddion Llanfair - Hydref

#### Pennaeth Newydd - New Headteacher

Llongyfarchiadau i Mr Geraint Rowe ar gael ei apwyntio yn Bennaeth yr ysgol. Edrychwn ymlaen at bennod newydd gyffrous yn natblygiad Ysgol Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd.

Congratulations to Mr Geraint Rowe on his appointment as Headteacher. We look forward to a new and exciting chapter in Ysgol Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd's development.

#### **Gwasanaeth Diolchgarwch – Harvest Service**



Cawsom Wasanaeth Diolchgarwch hyfryd yn yr Eglwys gyda phob dosbarth yn cymryd rhan. Diolch I bawb am eu cefnogaeth, am y rhoddion i'r Banc Bwyd a'r cyfraniad o £120 i Water Aid – cais y plant. Cafwyd gair o groeso gan Y Parchedig Diana Greenfield. Croeso cynnes a dymuniadau gorau iddi hi yn Llanfair a gobeithio ei bod wedi setlo yn y pentref. Diolch hefyd i Morfydd Jones am ddod i'r ysgol i dderbyn y rhoddion a sgwrsio am y Banc Bwyd.(llun Derbyn yn y gwasanaeth

a llun Morfydd gyda'r rhoddion).

We had a wonderful Thanksgiving Service in the Church with every class contributing. A thanks goes out to all that supported it and for giving generously to the local Food Bank and the contribution of £120 to Water Aid – at the children's request. We received a welcome from the new vicer, Rev. Diana Greenfield. We wish her all the best and a warm welcome as she settles into the village. A thanks also goes to Morfydd Jones for coming to the school to receive the Food Bank donations and to discuss its importance to the children.



#### **Trawsgwlad- Crosscountry**

Llongyfarchiadau i'r holl blant fu'n rhedeg yn y Traws-gwlad gan ddangos dyfalbarhad a dygnwch. Llongyfarchiadau arbennig i Zoe am lwyddo i gipio'r fedal aur. Tipyn o gamp. Ardderchog.

Congratulations to all the children who ran the Area Cross Country competition- showing plenty of perseverance and endurance. Special mention to Zoe for winning the Gold Medal. A great achievement.

#### Diwrnod -Shwmae Su'mae- Day

Cawsom ddiwrnod hwyliog llawn gweithgareddau gan ddefnyddio a gwerthfawrogi ein hiaith arbennig.

We had a fun day celebrating and appreciating our wonderful Welsh language.

#### Diwrnod Iechyd Meddwl - Mental Health Day

Buom yn trafod sut i edrych ar ôl ein cyrff a'n hymenydd gan dreulio amser yn yr awyr iach, ymlacio a chwerthin gyda'n gilydd. A gwisgo sanau 'od' am yr wythnos.

The children have been discussing how to keep a healthy body and mind by spending time outdoors, relaxing and laughing together. And wearing 'odd' socks for the week.

#### Sialens Ddarllen yr Haf - Summer Reading Challenge

Llongyfarchiadau i'r holl blant fu'n brysur yn darllen dros yr haf a daeth nifer helawerh a'u medalau a'u tystysgrifau i ddangos yn y Gwasanaeth Canmol. Daliwch ati i ddarllen a mwynhau llyfrau o bob math.

Over the summer the children have been busy doing the Library Service's Reading Challenge. A number of children received medals and certificates for their endeavours. Keep enjoying reading.

#### Dydd Coffi - MacMillan- Coffee Day

Diolch yn fawr iawn i'r Cyngor ysgol dan arweiniad Nia Johnson am drefnu a pharatoi bore goffi hyfryd. Roedd yn fendigedig croesawu teuluoedd a ffrindiau i'r ysgol a chodwyd swm teilwng iawn at yr elusen. (llun)

A big thankyou to the school Council led by Nia Johnson for organizing and preparing a lovely coffee morning. It was wonderful to welcome families and friends to the school and a significant amount was raised for the charity





#### Meddwlgarwch yn yr Eglwys- Mindfulness at the Church

Diolch o galon i Gwenno a Ruth am eu harweiniad yn yr eglwys wrth feddwl am ein gwerth Cristnogol 'Haelioni' a Tosturi..

A heartful thanks goes to Gwenno and Ruth for leading the mindfulness sessions at the Church for our this term's focussed values of Generosity and Compassion.

#### **Cyngor Ysgol – School Council**

Llongyfarchiadau i aelodau'r Cyngor Ysgol, a phwyllgorau eraill am gael eu hethol i'r swyddi pwysig. Pob hwyl i chi eleni yn datblygu mentrau a digwyddiadau am yr holl ysgol.

Congratulations to the School Council and all the committees for being elected into their important roles. All the best in developing initiatives and events across the school.

#### PentrePeryglon- DangerPoint

Cafodd Blynyddoedd 3,4,5 a 6 hwyl yn Pentre Peryglon gan ddysgu am bob math o beryglon sydd o'n cwmpas gan gynnwys diogelwch yn y tŷ, diogelwch ar y ffyrdd a diogelwch wrth ddŵr. (llun)

Years 3,4,5 and 6 had great fun at Dangerpoint learning all about dangers and how to avoid them in the home, on the roads and near water.

#### Trip to Llangollen-

Yn sgil eu thema, aeth Derbyn, Blwyddyn 1 a 2 ar daith addysgol i Llangollen gan fwynhau gweld pob math o gerbydau a mwynhau taith yn ôl ar y trên yr holl ffordd i Gorwen.

In line with the Reception, Years 1 and 2 theme they went on a trip to Llangollen. The children enjoyed seeing different forms of Transport and especially the trip on the Heritage Train.





#### NEWS FROM LLANFAIR CHURCH

#### **CHANGES**

On Sunday July 30th we held a farewell service in church for Rev Richard Carter and the Carter family as he left the Church in Wales to become a chaplain in the Regular Army. This was followed by a barn dance in Neuadd Eleanor.

Rev Diana Greenfield has joined the team of clergy serving the 12 churches in Dyffryn Clwyd Mission Area from Glastonbury and we hope that she

enjoys her new life with us in North Wales.



#### **CHRISTMAS**

As we approach the festive season the congregation of St Cynfarch and St Mary's church would like to wish you all a relaxing and peaceful Christmas and a very happy New Year.

We would love to see you over the Christmas period and our services during the remainder of December are as follows:

Sunday 10 th December – 11:00am – Morning Prayer

Sunday 17 th December – 11:00am – Holy Eucharist

Thursday 21st December – 7:00pm – Carolau Plygain

Sunday 24 th December - Christmas Eve 4:00pm - Crib Service 11:30pm - Midnight Mass

Sunday 31 st December - 11:00am - Holy Eucharist

#### MONTHLY SERVICE ROTA

At Llanfair we hold a Sunday service at 11am on most Sundays; the exception usually being if there is a fifth Sunday in the month – on these occasions we join with the other 11 churches in the Mission Area for a single service at one of the Mission Area churches.

A list of each month's services at Llanfair is posted on the noticeboard in the church porch and the noticeboard on the church railings by the White Horse. Please also keep an eye on our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/LlanfairDCgroupofchurches) for details of other events.

#### PARENTS and TODDLERS GROUP

The parents and toddlers group continues to meet in church every Wednesday and has been so successful that the session has been extended and now runs from 9:15am until 11:15am. A large variety of toys are available for the youngsters (and adults) to play with, and refreshments are available for parents/carers and toddlers. If you are a parent/carer with a toddler we look forward to welcoming you for a chat and play at one of our regular weekly sessions.

Mark Randall, Churchwarden

# Greetings

I am Revd Diana, and I live in the vicarage in Llanfair DC. I am learning to speak and write Welsh. I moved here from Glastonbury in September and enjoy walking with my dog Cara in the beautiful area. I am looking forward to meeting members of this village especially over Christmas. Perhaps at midnight mass or Plygain in the church or at my house for Christmas drinks on 23rd December.

I am looking forward to working with Ysgol Llanfair, teaching the children about Jesus and the church.

Please stop and say hello if you see me

#### **Happy Christmas**

#### Annwyl Gyfeillion

Y Parch Diana dw i. Dw I'n byw yn y Ficerdy yn Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd. Dw I'n dysgu siarad ac ysgrifennu Cymraeg. Symudais yma ym mis Medi a dw i'n mwynhau cerdded efo fy nghi, Cara, yn yr ardal hardd.

Rwy'n edrych ymlaen at gwrdd ag aelodau'r pentref hwn yn enwedig dros Nadolig. Efallai yn ystod yr offeren hanner nos neu Plygain yn yr eglwys, neu yn fy nhy am ddiodydd nadolig ar 23 Rhagfyr.

Rwyf hefyd yn edrych ymlaen at weithio efo ysgol Llanfair, ac at ddysgu'r plant am Iesu a'r eglwys.

Stopiwch a dywedwch helo os gwelwch fi.

#### Nadolig Llawen



#### MUSINGS FROM A COUNTRYMAN

#### **Eryl Jones**

The clocks have changed, so winter draws on - as my gran used to say. Mind you, she thought Arthur Askey was funny. As a country scribe, I often get asked at this time of year if we are in for a hard winter. The inquiry is usually prefixed with an observation along the lines of, 'I see there's a lot of holly berries about'. Well, I'm here to tell you that even if every holly tree and hawthorn bush is hoaching with great clusters of scarlet berries and every oak tree is groaning under the weight of acorns, all it prophesies is a lot of fat birds and squirrels. Nature is a wonderful phenomenon, but it cannot forecast the weather six months hence. We may well be in for a cold winter, but an abundance of berries would be just a coincidence and nothing more than that. Country folklore is littered with portents that allegedly predict the severity of the oncoming winter. My own particular favourite is this one - 'If there's ice on the pond before Christmas, enough to hold up a duck, Then all you'll get in the New Year is fog, rain and muck'.

Well, this particular writer is old enough to remember the 1962-63 winter when this charming, but inaccurate adage was well and truly blown out of the water. A chilly November preceded an exceptionally cold and icy December. Certainly, cold enough to create ice of duck-supporting thickness. As anyone who was around at the time will tell you, there was precious little fog or rain around in the first three months of 1963. But there was an awful lot of frost and snow.

Like most countrymen, I embrace rather than dread the onset of winter. I enjoy the cyclical order of events that the changing seasons bring. This week I've been busy with a couple of jobs the calendar told me needed my attention. It's the time of year when I root out all the bird feeders, give them a good clean and set them up in front of my office window. I don't subscribe to the modern theory that you should feed the birds all year round. How are young chicks going to learn how to forage if all they need to know is where the nearest fat balls are? They should be spending their summer gorging on all the mini beasts, which are now getting a get out of jail free card to wreak havoc in gardens and woodland. I lay out a real varied menu for our feathered friends - that way I ensure a wide assortment of visitors. Over thirty different birds come to feast on the fat balls, sunflower and cereal seeds, peanuts, fruit, and mealworms. Dunnocks, blackbirds and thrushes much prefer to eat on the ground, so I always scatter some food at the base of the feeding station.



I've been ferrying my rare breed Dorset Down ewes home from their summer pasture, where they are part of a conservation grazing project by Moel Famau. They are now housed for the winter in that edifice in my garden that looks like a giant green caterpillar. My gestation table says the first on is due to lamb on the 1st of December but methinks it'll be a couple of days before that. Anyway, if you are passing with your kids and you want to see them, just come and bang on the door.

#### Neuadd Eleanor.

Neuadd Eleanor Management committee are delighted to report that the upgrading of the village hall over the last two years has helped to increase not only the number of participants attending the various sessions, but also the number of activities that can be participated in. Below is a list of those activities:

Monday 10 - 12 (in the meeting room) U3a Ukulele players 'The Pheasant Pluckers'

7 - 9.30 Ladies Club Badminton/Table Tennis/social

**Tuesday** 9.30 – 10.30 Pilates

3.30 – 4.30 Private booking

6.30 – 8.45 Karen's Dance class 6.30 Solo dancing 7.45 Sequence dancing

7 – 9 Private snooker booking

Wednesday 9.30 – 10.30 Pilates – 'Back Pain'

2.30 – 4 Adult ballet (fortnightly sessions)

4.30 - 7.30 Dance Zone (2 to 18 years of age)

8 – 9 Ruthin Canine Society – ring craft

**Thursday** 9.30 – 10.30 Good Citizen puppy training

11 - 12 Pilates

2 – 4 U3a Badminton

7 – 9 Good Citizen puppy training (2 one-hour sessions)

7 – 9.30 Men's Club (snooker – 2 tables)

**Friday** 9.30 – 10.30 Pilates

11 – 12 U3a flower arranging (monthly meeting 3rd Friday of the month)

2 – 4 U3a Rusty badminton/Table Tennis

7 – 8 Private dance session.

To attend any of the U3a sessions you must be retired, or semi-retired, and a member of Ruthin and District U3a. Check out their website for many more interest groups.

Starting on Saturday 13th January 2024 we have Kung Fu. This is for boys and girls aged between 5 and 16.

#### Kung Fu

We are very fortunate to welcome Pol Wong to the Vale of Clwyd, an incredible opportunity for our kids to be taught Kung Fu by a Master Shaolin Monk.

Da ni'n freintiedig iawn i groesawu Pol Wong i Ddyffryn Clwyd, cyfle arbennig i'n plant cael dysgu Kung Fu gan un o Feistri Mynach Shaolin y byd.

If you want further information, then please phone the number on the picture below.



#### Snooker

Neuadd Eleanor is fortunate to have two full size snooker tables available to hire. At present they are used two evenings a week. Perhaps a group of ex snooker players would be interested in booking an evening every week or some daytime sessions.

To book the hall for a party, special event or snooker please contact David Owen on 07857824637, or Phil Webb on 01824704163 email, neuaddeleanor@gmail.com

#### Three Men in a Boat

In the September issue of the Dyffryn Clwyd Chronicle your attention was drawn to the forthcoming play, Three Men in a Boat by Jerome K Jerome, on 16th February 2024 in Neuadd Eleanor. The play is performed by actor Giles Shenton. Check out his website gilesshentonproductions.co.uk

There will be a bar and raffle. Door opens at 6.45 for a 7.30 start

An overflow car park has been arranged with the new Llanfair school.

The show is being supported by the Welsh Art Council's 'Night Out Scheme' and Denbighshire County Council.

Tickets are very reasonably priced at £10, £8 for concessions and those in full time education and £30 for a family of 2 adults and 2 children. There is a limit of 110 tickets available and seating is unreserved.

Tickets are available from Phil Webb on 01824704163 or email - neuaddeleanor@gmail.com



# "Nadolig Llawen!" from everyone at St Elidan's Pilgrim Church

#### Pat Sumner

2023 has been a busy, eventful and rewarding year at St Elidan's Pilgrim Church. We've managed to set up a community group called the "Friends of St Elidan" and this group fundraises and accepts donations to maintain the churchyard in Llanelidan, to ensure it looks tidy and beautiful. We have some dedicated volunteers who help to organise events and care for this sacred site. If you'd like to find out more about us, please phone Pat or Andrew on 01824 750288.

In August, we hosted our first Wellbeing Weekend in Llanelidan, which was a great success and we hope to do something similar next summer. Judging by all the positive feedback we received, people enjoyed having time to relax and try something new. Tad Huw Bryant helped enormously during the weekend by organizing a Taizé healing service in the church, a mindfulness walk around the village, and a glorious choral evensong to end the weekend. Laurie Hadden-Deering came to play her ringing crystal bowls while we meditated — which was a deeply soothing experience. Gaynor Gaynor gave us a Tai Chi taster session on King George's Field, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Leaf Pettit and I (Pat Sumner) ran a poetry workshop on the theme of "Stillness", and you can find some printed pamphlets of the wonderful poetry that was written during the session at the back of the church (£3 each). We also organised an afternoon tea during the Wellbeing Weekend so that friends



and neighbours could come together to chat and socialise. It was a hectic and tiring weekend for the organisers, but those who attended the various events said they really benefitted – in mind, body and spirit – from the experience. Thank you to everyone who played a part in making it such a successful and memorable weekend

Our Harvest Service in October was very special as we were able to welcome our new priest Rev Diana Greenfield to Llanelidan, and we all enjoyed a delicious Harvest Supper in theLeyland Arms afterwards.

If you'd like to find out what's going on at the church, you can follow our Facebook page: "St Elidan's Pilgrim Church, Llanelidan".

We'll be having a Christmas Service at 9.00pm on Christmas Eve and everyone is welcome. But please wrap up warm as there's no heating in the church!

The "Friends of St Elidan" would like to wish you a happy Christmas and a peaceful and fulfilling New Year. Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i chi gyd.

## **Community Council News**

The Council has been alerted to the publication of a pre-planning consultation by The Building Plot, regarding land adjacent to Paradwys in Graigfechan, which is open from 30th November to 27th December.

#### https://thebuildingplot.com/graigfechan

At the time of writing, the community council has not been formally invited to respond and will not be meeting until after the consultation has ended. The council has contacted DCC and the developer to ask for an extension to the consultation period, in order that it can be discussed at the next meeting, on 8th January. The council would encourage residents to look at the documents and forward any comments to the developer and to the council at clerk.llanfairdc@gmail.com.



Mae'r Cyngor wedi cael ei hysbysu bod ymgynghoriad cyn-cynllunio wedi'i gyhoeddi gan The Building Plot, ynghylch tir ger Paradwys yng Ngraigfechan, sydd ar agor rhwng 30 Tachwedd a 27 Rhagfyr.

#### https://thebuildingplot.com/graigfechan

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