

Community News

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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.

If anyone knows and can get a message to Martha Perks (who'd put out a message about her lost cat from Kings Court area), please tell her that a small, young and quite thin, tabby cat has been seen coming into gardens from Harpers Lane.

Several people have asked to send message of appreciation to Pete Smith for the Thursday Clap-for-Carers rocket, and Pete has asked we say thank you to Phil Jennings who has been wrestling with our recalcitrant Assembly Rooms clock for many years and now seems to have got it accurate to within 10 seconds, to coincide with Pete's signal rocket ! You're both stars in the Land of the Free.

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

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

Bank Holiday shop closures (that we know of!)...Salty Dog will be closed Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th. Deli Tinto and the Pharmacy are both closed on Monday 25th.

...from Marion at The Retreat. Are you looking to do exercise, training, yoga, pilates etc at home and need equipment? The Retreat have mats, resistance bands, foam rollers and massage balls in stock - great for work-outs at home and self-treatment. They have also just received a new order from Pukka with lots of your favourite teas, plus Mushroom Gold and Andrographis supplements - both immune system boosting. Plus all the products from the Turmeric supplements range. Please email marian@retreat.wales - these can be ordered for collection or local delivery.

...from Spar Presteigne. We've dropped the prices of a bunch of our fruit and veg. So pop-in the next time you need to freshen up your fruit bowl or fill up the fridge - we're Here For Lower Prices

...from Weobley Ash. Still open until 4pm today. Whole chicken plain, whole sage and lemon chicken, minted lamb chops, burgers, kebabs and steaks in store. Strawberries, raspberries and cream on offer. Some crackling Welsh home bred pork belly with rib in on the block, plenty here for the oven or bbq. Call 01544 598120 or email shop@weobleyash.co.uk to order.

...and...Results of the prize draw are in - 1st Prize goes to Laurie Williams (Beef Box) and 2nd Prize goes to Holly Beth Kay (BBQ box). You can collect from store tomorrow after 12pm. Thank you all so much and look out for another competition soon.

...from The Hat Shop. Birthday cakes!! Made to order just need a few days notice!. Call Helen on 01544 260017

...from The Stagg. Cheers to everyone who ordered one of our takeaways tonight! Limited slots are still free for this evening and Sunday lunch - email reservations@thestagg.co.uk now!

...from J P Turner. Wet and windy start to the bank holiday weekend but it's not slowing us up here. We are fully stocked with composts, bark, top soil, John Innes and grow bags. New toys from Britain's and Bruder. Lots of lovey new shrubs, alpines and perennials. Veg, peas and beans. Phone, email or call into store. Stay safe

THINGS TO DO WHILE STAYING IN

...from Presteigne Carnival. FANCY DRESS COMPETITION. We didn't want to miss out on seeing all of your wonderful fancy dress creations this year and have decided to create a virtual fancy dress parade! **Closing Date is 1st July**

No Theme4 categories: Primary - Secondary - Adults - Family

Prizes: (1) Sweets / chocolates for Primary & Secondary entries (2) Family ticket with afternoon tea for Adults and Family entries

Please send your photos or short video clips to presteignecarnival@gmail.com by 1st July. The committee will judge all of the entries to announce the winners on 11th July. We'll also collate all of the entries into a 'virtual parade'. We can't wait to see all of your fancy dress creations!

...from Presteigne Freegle. How to make a #bird feeder from an empty #plastic ketchup bottle, easy instructions via @wildlifegadgets <http://ow.ly/DFIc30qH8yk>.

And find all the things needed for free via #Freegle! <http://ow.ly/DbOu30nyjdi> - Presteigne Freegle restarts this Tuesday 26th May.

...from What's On Stage. "The Sound of Music" starring Carrie Underwood will be streamed for FREE this Friday. The newest show in "The Shows Must Go On" series, the production will be available for 48 hours from 7pm BST on Friday 22 May. More musicals will be announced on a weekly basis. Underwood plays Maria Rainer and Stephen Moyer Captain Georg von Trapp. Based on the original 1959 Broadway production, featuring classic tunes by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, the show first aired in 2013. You can watch it on www.whatsonstage.com for FREE from 7pm BST.

...from Presteigne Spar. The amazing work that our charity partner, the NSPCC, does for children and young people across the country would not be possible without the tireless efforts of its volunteers. So we wanted to do something to recognise their incredible work. So that's why we're asking customers with young kids to help them create a picture that we can use to thank the NSPCC's volunteers. The task has one core message - to say thank you! Anything else they include is completely up to them! Flowers, rainbows, stars, people – anything that your child thinks will be nice to send to a volunteer... Once your artist has completed their masterpiece, please take a photo or scan it and then email to SPAR@nspcc.org.uk. Make sure you include the young person's first name and age, e.g. 'Charlie, aged 8'. If you're happy for your child's picture to be posted on our Facebook page, please include our store name in your email as well.

OTHER INFORMATION

...from Tŷ Cerdd. Today we launch CoDI 20/21: thirty (30) paid opportunities for Welsh/Wales-based composers, music creators and sound artists plus a range of development

opportunities & workshop events. There's something for everyone so help us spread the word <https://www.tycerdd.org/codi>

...Jobs from Powys CC. (1) Contact Tracing Business Support Supervisors (2) Contract Tracing Advisors. Are you caring and patient? Do you have a customer service, care, or retail background? Then we have some fantastic opportunities for you! We require experienced and compassionate Supervisors and Advisors to join our new Contact Tracing team. Shift work on a rota - 7 days a week, Fixed term for 6 months, Home Working. For more information and to apply visit www.powys.gov.uk/jobs

...from PAVO (Powys Association of Voluntary Organisations). PAVO's Community Connector out-of-hours service has been adjusted. The new hours of service are Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 8.00 pm. Looking for Covid-19 support ? Not sure who to ask ? We are here to help - taking referrals - helping individuals - supporting community groups. Call us on 01597 828649.

...from the Welsh Government. A made-in-Wales blood test, which tells you whether you've had coronavirus, will be available to the whole of the UK. Pencoed based Ortho Clinical Diagnostics is one of the companies producing antibody tests. This is an important step in our efforts to keep Wales safe. We'll make an announcement about how to get the antibody test soon. <https://gov.wales/new-made-wales-blood-test-coronavirus>

...Jobs from PAVO / Centre for Alternative Technology CAT. CAT is at an exciting stage in its development and is looking to recruit new Trustees who share a passion for their vision, mission and values and with the knowledge, skills and experience to help us make a major step-change.

Currently expertise in the following area would be particularly beneficial:

- Fundraising, especially capital campaigns
- Finance/Audit
- Legal expertise

Closing date for expression of interest: Due to the impact of Covid-19 this date has been extended until Sunday 28 June 2020

...from Presteigne Little Peoples Playgroup. Families who have children who are due to move up to the 3+ room, please take a look on our Facebook page at the transition video we have made and show it to your little ones to remind them of playgroup and what the environment looks like. This will help them settle back in to the setting when we are allowed to re-open!

...Jobs from PCC Highways. We are looking to recruit a Technician / Fitter to carry out vehicle and plant inspections, maintenance, servicing and repairs. Based in the workshop at Brecon highways depot you will be helping to keep vital frontline essential public services like gritters and refuse collection trucks on the road.

See <https://en.powys.gov.uk/jobs> - Location: Brecon - Salary: Grade 7 Point 15 to Point 19 (£22,911 to £24,799 per annum) £11.8754 to £12.8540 per hour - Job reference: MMC0470A - Application closing date: 03/06/2020 - Package: 37 hours, Permanent Contract #mechanic #fitter #HGV #Powys #liveworkplay

...from Litter Action. New LitterAction news item now published - Petition for Fast Food Drive Through Outlets - please follow this link <http://www.litteraction.org.uk/news> to read it

...from Powys CC. Household waste and recycling centres (HWRC) will reopen for ESSENTIAL USE ONLY from Tuesday 26 May. DO NOT VISIT BEFORE READING THE FULL LIST OF RESTRICTIONS ON OUR WEBSITE: <https://crowd.in/0StdER>
Please think carefully before you decide to visit the HWRC. Be prepared for long delays. Non-essential use puts yourself, other members of the public and our staff at risk from spreading the virus.

...from Powys CC. If you are living in a situation where you do not feel safe, we, and other organisations are here to help...<https://crowd.in/5mHIIB> & <https://crowd.in/vL4cSa>

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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.