

Canolfan Maerdy



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2015

Welcome to our Autumn Newsletter!

SEE INSIDE FOR NEWS ON OUR NEW NURSERY MANAGERS ...

LOTS OF TOTS

Anna Rowlands
Joint Nursery Manager

Kelly Evans
Joint Nursery Manager

Emily Stewart
Deputy Nursery Manager

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A fond farewell to Kathryn Lewis

On 17th July, we felt sad to say goodbye to Kathryn Lewis who has been our lovely Nursery Manager for the past 4 years. Kathryn has worked in the Nursery since leaving school so has been a huge part of Canolfan Maerdy but she has left to spend more quality time with her children. We will all miss her very much and we wish her every happiness but it will take quite a while to adjust to her not being here.



... and ...

Introducing our new Nursery Managers



I would like to introduce myself as the new joint-Manager of Lots of Tots Day Nursery here at Canolfan Maerdy. I am thrilled to be working in a lovely community centre and alongside a fantastic and experienced team of Nursery staff. I am looking forward to meeting and greeting all parents/carers and their children and building on the already well established Nursery. I am keen to work with you parents/carers and listen to the views and ideas of the children to continue offering a high quality service to meet

My name is Kelly Evans and I am the new joint-Manager of Lots of Tots Day Nursery. I have lived in the area all my life and am a fluent Welsh language speaker. I am a qualified Primary School Teacher with vast experience in working with children, especially in the early years and have worked both in schools and day nursery settings. I am a mother to a busy three year old boy and love nothing more than arts and crafts activities, getting 'messy' and outdoor play and adventures. I feel both privileged and excited to have joined such a caring and experienced team of staff and look forward to getting to know you and your child/ren, listening to and taking on board your suggestions and continuing to help provide the highest quality of childcare for your child/ren, as well as bringing some new ideas and initiatives from my own experiences, which I am sure will be well received.



Summer Fête

What a fantastic day we had on 18th July—lots of fun, entertainment, stalls and activities ... and we had such beautiful weather. Thank you to all who supported us—we raised almost £500, which will help us purchase new equipment and toys for the nursery.



OVER 50?

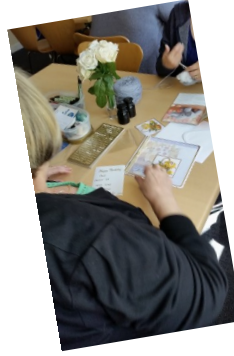
Why not come along to our Outreach sessions at:

Canolfan Maerdy

New Road

Tairgwaith

SA18 1UP



Every Wednesday from 11:00am—2:00pm

Activities include:

Information and advice

Gentle exercise classes

Trips/excursions

Guest speakers

Luncheon clubs

I.T classes

Plus much, much more!

INFORMATION

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NEW FOOT CARE SERVICE
at Canolfan Maerdy
*(in partnership with
Age Connects)*



Clinic Appointment:

Fingernails or Toenails: £12.50

Home Visit Appointment:

*Fingernails or Toenails: £20.00

New Service:

1 hour Pedicure: prices from £20.00

Clinic and home visit appointments available throughout Neath Port Talbot.

All team members are trained by the NHS Podiatry Service and fully insured. Please note, some medical exclusions apply.

For more information and to make an appointment, please get in touch with Age Connects

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**Additional £5 for hands and feet.*



Maerdy Youth goes from strength to strength and we now have 81 registered members aged between 11 and 20 years. The young people come from five different local villages and from diverse backgrounds. They have enjoyed three trips so far—one as a residential to an outdoor activity centre, one to the Blue Lagoon and one to the national youth conference to participate in workshops and feed into strategic youth consultations.

The youth enjoy a variety of activities including table-top and outdoor games, gardening, music sessions, arts and crafts, cookery and general socialising and participate in a variety of discussions regarding young people's issues. We benefit from joint-working with YMCA Swansea under their 'Identity Project' who funded the residential trip to Brecon, provide support for setting protocol, regularly mentor and train the staff and volunteers and visit with activities such as DJ Decks and music.



We have just received confirmation that we have been successful in achieving funding from the Mynydd y Betws Wind Farm grant to appoint an experienced, qualified Youth Worker who's remit will be to help us develop our youth work.



Clubs & Courses



Youth Café

Wednesdays

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Craft Club

Wednesdays

9:30am - 11:30am

Age Connects

Wednesdays

11:00am - 2:00pm

Foot Care

Wednesdays

11:00am - 2:00pm

Canolfan Maerdy is a wonderful, community-run, family resource centre based in Tairgwaith with lots of fun activities going on— there is something for everyone and it's open to all. We are an IT Centre of Excellence and have fantastic, completely accessible facilities—e.g. a free car park, a great 5 ★ food hygiene rated café and a first class, fully registered, bilingual children's nursery for ages 0-11 years.

