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Lots Of Tots Day Nursery

Our long established Day Nursery has a reputation second to none for providing an exemplary and fully bilingual childcare service for children from 6 weeks to 8 years of age.

Our best recommendation is that we are now caring for many children whose parents themselves were once looked after by our crèche staff.

Our popular Breakfast, After School and Holiday Clubs are invaluable to working parents, who can be assured their child is safe with us before and after school when they are often at work.

We offer Morning and Afternoon Meithrin, Half Day and Full Day packages and for children entering the nursery for the first time, a Settling In Period so they can adjust to their new surroundings. Gradually if need be.

Our large onsite car park ensures all children can be dropped off and collected from the nursery in complete safety.

Contact Kathryn Lewis now for an informal chat and arrange to have a look round the nursery.

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For enquiries on anything in this newsletter, please contact Joanne Harries on 01269 826893, admin@canolfanmaerdy.co.uk.



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**Adult Community Learning, Childcare,
 Employment Support Service & Room Hire all under one roof.**



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New Activities coming To Canolfan Maerdy

1. As part of a Health and Well Being initiative, we shall be starting Tai Chi sessions in April on Friday mornings. These will be of one hour's duration over 10 weeks but if they prove popular, we hope to continue beyond that period. Though these will be funded and initially we can offer free of charge, we can only run if we have adequate numbers.
2. We would like to start a Book Reading Club. If anyone is interested in this we would ask that you give your name and contact details to Joanne in Room 101. It would be ideal if we could start this off with an initial meeting on 1st March - World Book Day!!
3. Wish you could draw or paint? Another activity we are hoping to get underway is an Art Class.

If you are interested in any of the above, activities, please see Joanne in Room 101. Why not fill in one of our suggestion forms to let us know what activities/courses you would like to join at Tairgwaith.

Suggestions for New Courses

We have mentioned above three new activities we are hoping that we can offer you at Canolfan Maerdy (dependent of course on getting enough numbers to run them) but would like your suggestions as to what other courses/activities you would like to see at Canolfan Maerdy.

In this connection, do please pick up a **Suggestion Form** dotted around the Centre, complete and return to Joanne in Room 101. Your input is important to us but, to continue any course we need numbers!!

For details on anything contained in this newsletter, please contact Joanne Harries on 01269 826893
admin@canolfanmaerdy.co.uk. or pop in to Room 101.

Neath Port Talbot Credit Union Mobile Banking is here!

The Credit Union, which is run by the Members for the Members, now operates a Mobile Office for outlying rural areas. As Tairgwaith certainly falls into this category, The Credit Union's Mobile Office is now coming to Canolfan Maerdy every Wednesday from 2.00 - 3.00 p.m.

**Banking on your doorstep -
you can't get more convenient than that.**

Please support this worthwhile venture because as with anything, if it is not supported, the service will be discontinued.

For further details:

Tel: 01639 632100 or email: admin@nptcu.co.uk

Enterprise in the Valleys Could you be an Entrepreneur of Tomorrow?

If you (or anyone you know are) aged between 11 and 25 years of age, you may be interested in participating in this ground-breaking initiative. It is a project which is aimed at helping young people to become more enterprising.

The programme is **FREE** and will give you the opportunity to:

- ◆ meet new people,
- ◆ make new friends
- ◆ learn new skills to help you find employment •
- ◆ gain accreditation
- ◆ become a young entrepreneur and have some fun.

You don't need to hold any qualifications or have any previous experience. Take the first steps now and contact the EITV Project Team on: Tel: 01639 898581

If you prefer to give your name and contact details to Joanne, in Room 101. Tel. 01269 826893, and she will contact the team on your behalf.

The Canolfan Café

As you may have noticed, we are unfortunately, currently without a cook and are therefore having to close the café to the public for the time being.

However, not wanting to let down our regular users of the Centre, Len will be continuing to provide you with refreshments at your break times.

We would advise you that as from Monday, 13th February (week of half term), Crescis' will be delivering the children's lunches in the crèche and therefore, if anyone would like to order lunch, they can make their choice from the menus which will be displayed and, provided the order (with payment) is given to Joanne in Room 101 by 10.00 a.m. it will be delivered to us here at Canolfan Maerdy at 11.45 when Cresci deliver the children's lunches.

We are sorry for having to do this, but this is the very best temporary measure we have been able to arrange at short notice

Please Note: These arrangements take effect from Monday, 13th February. Until then, business more or less as normal.

Room Hire

With our idyllic rural location, and large onsite car park, Canolfan Maerdy is the perfect place for holding meetings or using a room to get work done without the noisy interruptions that a busy High Street or home location can bring.

We have several rooms of differing sizes suitable for 5 up to 50 people, ideal for meetings and conferences etc., all with computer and internet access. Refreshments and buffet lunches can be provided. Let us give you a quote.

For pricing details, please contact Joanne Harries on:

Tel: 01269 826893 - Email: admin@canolfanmaerdy.co.uk



This is one of the most flexible ways in which to access learning. Register and enrol on a **LearnDirect** course at Tairgwaith, and you can work through it any time, at your own pace, on any computer you have access to, but in the knowledge that if and when you want additional help you can pop along on a Tuesday morning between 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon for extra guidance and mentoring you may need.

LearnDirect has a wide choice of courses: why not get your name down now? Unemployed? There are free courses on Job Seeking Skills which could be invaluable for you.

Easter Holiday IT Tasters

Wednesday and Thursday, 11th and 12th April we are offering IT sessions on **File Management** (how, where and when to save, move, copy and delete files and folders) and also **Computer Housekeeping** - a basic look at how you should be caring for your computer - ie. Anti virus and anti spyware programs, scanning and general clean up and tidy—a good Spring Clean you might say.

If interested, give your name and payment to Joanne. Cost will be £10 per person per session. We can only run these if we have a minimum of 6 persons per session. If we do not achieve that number, all advance payments will be refunded.

Employment Support Service

Unemployed? Looking for work or help to find suitable training? Take that first step and contact **Sue Jones**, who can point you in the right direction to a brighter future. Tel. 01269 826893 or email esw@canolfanmaerdy.co.uk

For those nearer to Pontardawe, Louise Ashill is based in the One Stop Shop, Holly Street, Pontardawe, contact: 01792 865865 or pontyesw@canolfanmaerdy.co.uk.