



FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2026



Ysgol Bryn Gwalia

Cylchlythyr - Newsletter



📌 School Term dates 2025 / 2026

Autumn Term:

- **Start:** 1 September 2025
- **Half Term:** 27 October 2025 - 31 October 2025
- **Finish:** 19 December 2025

Spring Term:

- **Start:** 5 January 2026
- **Half Term:** 16 February 2026 - 20 February 2026
- **Finish:** 27 March 2026

Summer Term:

- **Start:** 13 April 2026
- **Half Term:** 25 May 2026 - 29 May 2026
- **Finish:** 20 July 2026

Training Dates 25/26

1st September
2nd September
3rd November
5th January
12th June
20th July

Training dates are subject to change

Dear Families,

We are delighted to share the very positive outcome of our recent Estyn interim inspection (March 2026). Inspectors praised our strong leadership, the excellent progress in pupils' literacy and numeracy, and the engaging, real-life learning experiences across the school. This reflects the dedication of our fantastic staff team and the strong progress we have made since our last inspection in 2019.

As Acting Headteacher, I would like to thank our wonderful staff, governors, pupils and parents for their continued support, and extend a special thank you to Mrs Dalton for her leadership in bringing us to this point.

We wish all our families a very Happy Easter!

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Sturdy

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Clayton Road
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CH7 1SU

25/03/2026

Dear leaders and staff

Interim visit: March 2026

Dear Lorraine Dalton and Kate Sturdy

A team of inspectors visited Ysgol Bryn Gwalia C. P. recently to consider progress in relation to your recommendation from the previous core inspection, particularly in relation to the literacy and numeracy aspects. The inspection team took the opportunity to observe teaching and learning, talk with pupils and staff, consider documentation, and look at samples of pupils' work. Below is a summary of the findings from the visit.

Focus of visit

Refine provision to ensure that there are consistent opportunities for pupils to apply their literacy, numeracy and digital skills in relevant, real-life situations

- Senior leaders have a clear vision for developing pupils' application of literacy, numeracy and digital skills across the school. There is a strong focus on consistency of approach and ensuring learning is meaningful to pupils. Long-term planning for literacy and numeracy has been integrated well into the school's curriculum.
- Senior leaders work effectively with staff to improve approaches to teaching and learning. They provide staff with targeted professional development opportunities, including visits to other schools and beneficial collaborative activities. This has strengthened teachers' understanding of how to plan for the progression of pupils' literacy and numeracy skills across areas of learning successfully.

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Estyn welcomes correspondence in both English and Welsh. Correspondence received in either language will be given equal priority.

- Authentic opportunities to enhance pupils' oracy skills are developing well. Staff plan a range of worthwhile opportunities for pupils to speak to a range of audiences for a variety of purposes.
- Across the school staff support pupils' reading skills appropriately. Staff in younger classes engage pupils purposefully in stories and rhymes. This helps pupils' early awareness of letter sounds successfully as they join in with familiar phrases and simple songs with enthusiasm.
- Older pupils read fluently with growing understanding. This supports their learning across the curriculum appropriately. Many identify preferences for specific authors and enjoy reading a shared class novel. Leaders recognise the need to further improve older pupils' reading comprehension skills.
- The school has made strong progress in improving pupils' writing skills. Staff plan engaging, authentic writing activities that support learning across the curriculum well. They consider contexts for writing carefully to ensure they are meaningful to pupils.
- Teachers place an increasing emphasis on sharing useful verbal feedback and providing opportunities for pupils to reflect on their learning. Many pupils respond thoughtfully to this and make beneficial improvements to their work, particularly in their writing.
- As they progress through the school, many pupils apply their numeracy skills confidently to solve real-life problems. They collaborate and discuss their thinking appropriately which impacts well on their understanding.
- Staff in the younger classes provide worthwhile opportunities for pupils to develop their mathematical and numeracy skills. Many younger pupils apply their early understanding of number confidently in directed activities and through their play.
- Financial education has been embedded successfully across the school. Innovative approaches such as pupil-led shops and a saving scheme provide productive opportunities for pupils to develop their understanding of budgeting, saving and managing money in practical contexts.
- Older pupils manage a community shop, the 'Hope Hut', selling food to the local community. Through this, they apply their understanding of profit and loss skilfully and gain a strong awareness of how the cost-of-living crisis affects families in their local community.
- Leaders and staff provide worthwhile opportunities for parents to support the development of pupils' numeracy skills. Collaborative activities such as workshops and cooking sessions, help pupils apply their numeracy skills effectively in practical contexts.



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- The school has strengthened the role of middle leaders, and ongoing professional dialogue has contributed to creating a supportive team approach. Monitoring and evaluation activities enable the school to celebrate strengths and identify the next steps needed for continued improvement in provision for skills accurately.

The school's latest core inspection report and further information on the process and purpose of interim visits can be found on our website:

[Inspection report Ysgol Bryn Gwalia C.P. 2023](#)

Yours sincerely

Liz Miles

Assistant Director



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Reception	88%
Years 1	91.2%
Year 2	85%
Year 3/4	93%
Year 5	92.2%
Year 6	84%

WEEKLY WINNERS



YEAR 1
RECEPTION
3/4

OVERALL
89.3%

ARRIVING LATE & ABSENCES

Please make every effort to ensure your child attends school as much as possible. Please could I also ask that any parents dropping off a child late at school to come into reception and sign their child in, as the teachers would have completed the registers by that time. Any late pupils also require a reason for lateness from the parent, otherwise it would be classed as unauthorised. Late arrivals seem to be becoming more common - there will be letters sent out if it is persistent.

Attendance is so important in so many ways for the children and Flintshire are concerned with the number of absences that occur in schools. I meet with the Education Welfare Officer every 4 weeks and we discuss attendance of all pupils. Following this we send reminder letters out to parents. After the third letter this will be passed to County and they will begin issuing fines.

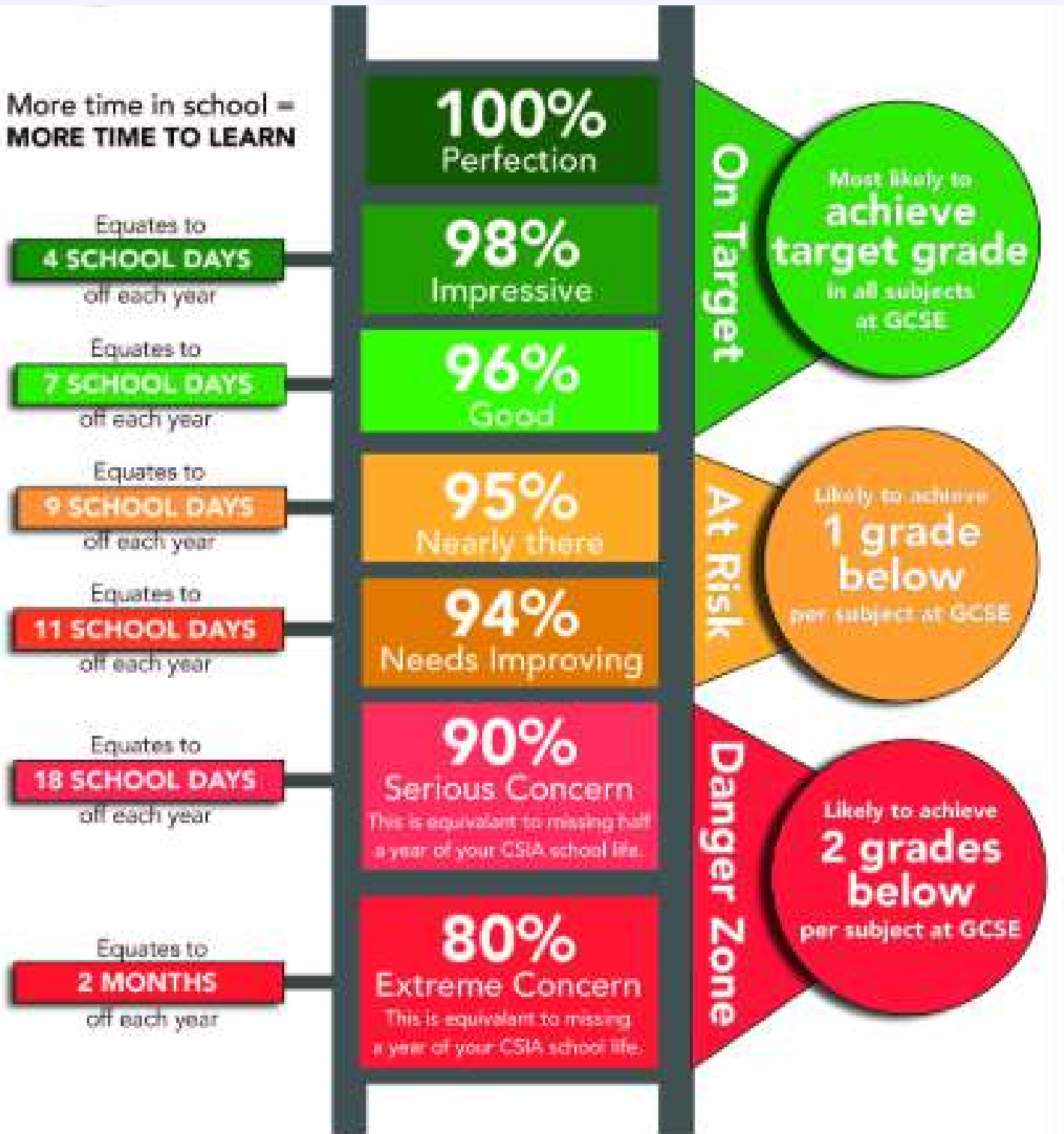


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School Attendance

More time in school =
MORE TIME TO LEARN



For every day your child is absent from school
over 6 hours of instruction time is lost



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W E E K

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Our **Freshly Made, Locally Loved Menu** Autumn 25/Spring 26 

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	Jumbo Fish Finger or Baked Salmon Fillet "OR" Freshly Made Mac 'n' Cheese with Garlic Bread Slice ♡ <i>Garden Peas or Baked Beans & Mashed Potatoes</i> FRESH PASTA POTS Home Baked Apple Crumble & Custard or Fresh Fruit	Freshly Made Welsh Beef Bolognese ♡ "OR" Freshly Made Vegetable & Lentil Bolognese with Wholegrain Pasta ♡ <i>Pasta & Garlic Bread Slice</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Roast Chicken Dinner "OR" Veggie Roast Dinner ♡ <i>Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Steamed Broccoli</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Chicken Curry "OR" Vegetable Curry ♡ <i>Wholegrain Rice, Sweetcorn & Naan Bread</i> FRESH PASTA POTS Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Beef Burger or Vegan Hot Dog ♡ "OR" Home Baked Cheese & Bean Pasty ♡ <i>Chipped Potatoes</i> JACKET POTATO & FILLING Oat Lemon & Raisin Cookie or Fresh Fruit
WEEK 2	Freshly Made Wholegrain Chicken, Tomato & Pasta Bake "OR" Chilli Non Carne with Wholegrain Rice & Home Baked Tortillas ♡ <i>Garlic Bread Slice & Salad Bar</i> JACKET POTATO & FILLING Home Baked Cocoa Sponge & Custard or Fresh Fruit	Home Baked Meatball, Tomato & Mozzarella Panini ½ Jacket Potato "OR" Freshly Made Pesto & Vegetable Pasta Salad ♡ <i>½ Jacket Potato & ColeSlaw</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Roast Turkey Dinner "OR" Veggie Roast Dinner ♡ <i>Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Steamed Broccoli</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Vegetable Pizza Pocket ½ Jacket Potato "OR" Home Baked Creamy Tuna, Sweetcorn & Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread Slice <i>Fresh Salad Bar</i> JACKET POTATO & FILLING Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Baked Chicken Nuggets "OR" Freshly Made Vegetable Tortilla Stack ♡ <i>Chipped Potatoes & Veg Sacks</i> FRESH PASTA POTS Ice Cream Pot or Fresh Fruit
WEEK 3	Freshly Made Chicken Fajita Tortilla's "OR" Cooked from Fresh Tomato & Herb Pasta Bake ♡ <i>Wholegrain Vegetable Rice & Salad Bar</i> FRESH PASTA POTS Home Baked Pineapple & Coconut Sponge & Custard or Fresh Fruit	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce "OR" Vegetable Meatballs in Tomato Sauce ♡ <i>Pasta & Garlic Bread Slice</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Freshly Made Welsh Beef Cottage Pie ♡ "OR" Home Baked Vegetable & Lentil Cottage Pie ♡ <i>Garden Peas & Steamed Carrots</i> FRESHLY MADE SANDWICH Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Margarita Pizza Pocket "OR" Freshly Made Soup & Roll ♡ <i>Baked Wedges & Baked Beans</i> FRESH PASTA POTS Yoghurt with a Selection of Fruit Toppings or Fresh Fruit	Chicken Burger or Vegan Burger ♡ "OR" Baked Fillet of Fish Burger <i>Chipped Potatoes & Veg Sacks</i> JACKET POTATO & FILLING Home Baked Hand Held Dessert or Fresh Fruit

Salad Bar
 Salad Bar and 50/50 Henlilan Bread available daily
 A delicious way to get your 5-a-day!

Dessert Bar
 Dessert Bar available Tuesday - Thursday
 Enjoy Fresh Fruit and Lleth-y-Llan Yoghurt!

PLEASE NOTE: OUR MENUS COULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO NATIONWIDE SUPPLY ISSUES.
 Many of our dishes are available to accommodate special dietary requirements - please contact our Cook to discuss these options.
 This menu has been nutritionally analysed in line with Welsh Government Guidance to meet public needs for protein, carbohydrates, fat, sugar and salt.

KEY: ♡ Suitable for Vegetarians
 ♡ Vegan Option Available

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK





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KIDS
Holiday Club and...
EASTER EGG HUNT

LUNCH & BOUNCHY CASTLE INCLUDED!

**1ST APRIL
10:00 – 12:00**

PLACES
FREE
BUT BOOKING ESSENTIAL

GAMES | CRAFTS | THE EASTER STORY

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Church Lane, Mold

AGES 5-11

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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Active Communities Roadshow

Get Involved & Have Fun!

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GOGLEDD CYMRU
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NORTH WALES

Upcoming Dates & Locations:

Tuesday 31 st March - Central Drive, Aston, CH5 1NN.	11:00 - 12:30
Tuesday 31 st March - Sealand Manor Park, CH5 2SQ.	2:00 - 3:30
Wednesday 1 st April - Fron Park, Holywell, CH8 7TQ.	2:00 - 3:30
Thursday 2 nd April - Scout Hut Field, Connahs Quay, CH5 4HN.	11:00 - 12:30
Thursday 2 nd April - Flint Castle, CH6 5PE.	2:00 - 3:30

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!



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OUTSIDE LIVES ART BOX PRESENTS...

SPACE TO CREATE

DATE: FRIDAY 10TH APRIL
VENUE: GWERNYMYNYDD
VILLAGE HALL
COST: £15 PER PERSON





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WE ARE SUPER EXCITED THAT STAND ARE GOING TO BE HOLDING COFFEE MORNINGS AT SCHOOL EVERY MONTH! THEY ARE AN AMAZING PARENT GROUP FOR ANY ADDITIONAL NEEDS YOU MIGHT WANT SUPPORT WITH! PLEASE COME ALONG FOR A COFFEE ON THE 9TH AT 9AM



Coffee Morning



**Are you a Parent / Carer of a child
with additional needs?**

Does your Child attend Ysgol Bryn Gwalia Mold
Or
Ysgol Pen Coch Mold

Come along and find out about STAND and how they can support
you and your family.

You will be made to feel very welcome.

At Ysgol Bryn Gwalia

**Monday 9th February and Monday 11th May 2026
9am – 10.30 am**

For more information please contact:

Email: Julie@standnw.org

Call or Text (including your name): 07562 691161

Text (including your name): 07562 691161



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HANNER TYMOR CHWEFROR / FEBRUARY HALF-TERM

**SESIYNAU GWYLLT GREFFT
BUSHCRAFT SESSIONS**

YR WYDDGRUG

YSGOL BRYN GWALIA

10:00 - 12:00 / 13:00 - 15:00

Sganiwch y Côd QR a
chofrestrwch i CHWARAE

Scan the QR Code and
Register to PLAY



OEDRAN / AGES:

5 - 12

18/02/26

**UCHAFSWM O 30 O LEOEDD AR GAEL AR GYFER POB SESIWN. ARCHEBU YN UNIG!
MAXIMUM OF 30 SPACES AVAILABLE FOR EACH SESSION. BOOKING ONLY!**



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Family Information Service Flintshire



Gwasanaethau Gwybodaeth i
Deuluoedd Sir y Fflint

Looking for Family Information in Flintshire?
You've come to the right place!

- Flintshire's Family Information Service (FIS) is a **FREE** and impartial information and signposting service for families (and for those who work with families).
- We can help you find services which offer support for your family, including information about childcare, finances, parenting and activities.
- We are your trusted starting point if you have any questions regarding support or information for your family.
- To find out more about how we can help you, please contact us.

Phone - 01352 703500

Email - fisf@flintshire.gov.uk

Websites - www.dewis.wales and www.childcareinformation.wales

Social media - Search for 'Family Information Flintshire'

Find us on Facebook





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Mold Golf Club are looking for new juniors members! So if your child fancies taking up a new sport why not give it a go! The Coach is excellent (even though I'm slightly biased as it's my nephew!) Mrs Dalton :)



JUNIOR TASTER SESSION



GET INTO
GOLF

MEET
OUR
JUNIOR COACH

JACOB DAVIES

9 - 10.30AM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH 2026
AT MOLD GOLF CLUB

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, COME ALONG AND GIVE GOLF A GO

INFORMAL GROUP SESSION
RELAXED DRESS CODE

EVERYONE'S GAME:
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FOR LIFE



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AR-LEIN / ONLINE
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DYDD MERCHER / WEDNESDAY
18:00 - 19:00
20:00 - 21:00
21/01/26 - 18/03/26

Hwyl

Clwb Cwtsh is a fun-filled and informal programme focusing on speaking Welsh with young children.

Mae Clwb Cwtsh yn gwrs blasu Cymraeg sydd wedi'i anelu at ddysgwyr newydd ac sy'n canolbwyntio ar iaith magu plant yn y cartref.

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clwbcwtsh@meithrin.cymru



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Community Sports Hub

**Ysgol Bryn Gwalia, Mold
CH7 1SU**

**Every Wednesday
17:00-18:00**

From January 14th

**Multi-Sports
Free for all!**

**Age
7-13**





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Gwella's 0-7 Years Sessions

Fun, physical activity for early years children

TERM TIME ONLY

NEW SESSION

	WHERE?	WHEN?	HOW?	PRICE
Parent & Grandparent Multi-Activity Session (0-4 Years)	Holywell Leisure Centre	Tuesday 12:00-1:00pm Swimming 1:30-2:15pm Class 2:30-3:30pm Soft Play	Pay-as-you-go at Holywell Leisure Centre's reception	£7.00 per child for all three activities £4.50 per child for class only
Parent & Toddler (0-3 Years)	Mold Library	Wednesday 10:00-10:45am	Book Online	£4.50 per child (with sibling discount)
Adult & Child Public Fun Splash (0-4 Years)	Jade Jones Pavilion Flint	Thursday & Friday 10:00am-12:00pm	Book Online	£5.00 for adult x 1 and child x 1
Multi-Sports (4-7 Years)	Mold Leisure Centre	Thursday 5:00-6:00pm	Book Online	£4.50 per child (with sibling discount)



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Warm Hubs and General Living Support in Mold



Tuesdays ~ 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Fridays ~ 12.45pm - 2.30pm

St David's Church Hall, St David's Lane,
Mold, CH7 1LH



Warm Space at St Mary's Church

Tuesdays ~ 10am - 2pm

Drop in for...a cuppa...a
chat...some quiet...some warmth

High Street, Mold, CH7 1BQ



Warm Space at Mold
Library

Mondays & Thursdays ~
9am - 6pm

Tuesdays, Wednesdays &
Fridays ~ 9am - 5pm

Saturdays ~ 9am - 1pm



Magic Mondays at Parkfields
Community Centre

09.30am - 3.00pm

Wonderful Wednesdays at Mold
Rugby Club

10.00am - 2.00pm



Parkfields Community Centre
Community Fridge

Thursdays ~ 10am - 11.30am

Ash Grove, Mold, CH7 1TB



Daniel Owen Community Centre

Warm Hub

Daily ~ 9.30am - 2.00pm

Lunch Club

Fridays ~ 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Earl Road, Mold, CH7 1AP



Warm Space at Mold Community
Clubhouse and Gardens

Park Avenue, Mold, CH7 1RY



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Mental Health Support

111 Option 2

If you need urgent mental health help, call 111 and choose option 2



- if you need to talk to someone – or you’re concerned about a loved one - call 111 and select option 2 to speak to a dedicated member of our mental health team.

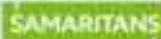
Where you can get mental health support this Christmas

If you need local mental health support



0300 123 3393
mind.org.uk

If you're having suicidal thoughts



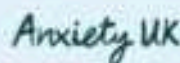
116 123
samaritans.org.uk

If you find it easier to text than talk



Text 85258
giveshout.org

If you're feeling overwhelmed and anxious



0344 477 5774
anxietyuk.org.uk

If you're struggling with grief



0808 808 1677
cruse.org.uk

@everymindatwork

Free Swimming Timetable 2025

For Young People Aged 16 Years And Under

In Flintshire, free junior sessions for young people are available across the five swimming pools in Buckley, Conna's Quay, Flint, Holywell and Mold throughout the year.

BUCKLEY LEISURE CENTRE (Gwella)

Call 01352 704290 or visit www.gwella.wales

SAT

1:15 - 2:15pm

CONNAH'S QUAY (Cambrian Aquatic Sports Centre)

Call 01244 956595

SAT

11:30am - 1:00pm

JADE JONES PAVILION FLINT (Gwella)

Call 01352 704301 or visit www.gwella.wales

SUN

2:00 - 3:30pm

HOLYWELL LEISURE CENTRE (Community Managed)

Call 01352 355100 or visit
www.holywellleisurecentre.com

SAT

12:00 - 1:00pm

MOLD LEISURE CENTRE (Gwella)

Call 01352 704330 or visit www.gwella.wales

SUN

10:45 - 11:45am



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