

Times of Worship

St Silin's, Llansilin

1st Sunday	Holy Communion in English	10.00 am	
2nd "	Matins	10.00 am	
3rd "	Holy Communion in English	10.00 am	(alternating with St Cedwyn's)
4th "	Holy Communion in Welsh	9.00 am	
	Evensong	6.30 pm	
5th "	Family Service	10.00 am	

St Cadwaladr's Church, Llangadwaladr

2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	2.30 pm	
4th "	Matins	2.30 pm	

Rhiwlas Mission Church

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	2.30 pm	
3rd "	Matins	2.30 pm	

St Cedwyn's Church, Llangedwyn

1st Sunday	Evensong	6.30 pm	
2nd "	Holy Communion	8.30 am	
3rd "	Holy Communion	10.00 am	(alternating with St Silin's)
4th "	Holy Communion	10.30 am	
5th "	Holy Communion	8.30 am	

Please contact churchwardens to arrange home communion, visiting or special services

Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin a'r Cylch

Medi

3	Parch Stanton T Evans	Llansilin	2.00 pm	Pereriindod (i'w drefnu)
10	Mr Thomas Morris	Cefncanol	10.00 am	
17	Parch John Curig Thomas	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
24	Mr D Glyn Williams	Llansilin	10.00 am	

Hyd

1	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Cefncanol	6.30 pm	Diolchgarwch yr Ifanc
8	Buddug Medi	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
15	Parch E Elfyn Richards	Llansilin	2.00 pm	
22	Mr Moelwyn Jones	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	
29	Parch Eric Green *	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	

Tach

5	Parch Stanton T Evans	Llansilin	2.00 pm	Pregeth a thrafodaeth
12	Miss Rhoswen Charles	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	
19	Parch Eifion G Jones *	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
26	Mr John Rosser	Llansilin	2.00 pm	

* Pregethwr o Seion, Croesowallt (C) Cymun

Llansilin Newsletter

Church, Chapel and Village News



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Dear Friends

Since the last newsletter, we have had our Parish Room consecrated by the Bishop of St Asaph, the Right Reverend John Davies, and our Parish Priest licensed by the Archdeacon of Montgomery, the Venerable John Thelwell. What an exciting time for everybody, for the church and for the parish.

Thankfully, the interregnum is now at an end and I take the opportunity of welcoming our new Parish Priest, the Reverend Margaret Robarts and her husband into our midst. We hope that they will be very happy here in Llansilin. The interregnum was a busy and very interesting time, but both wardens feel a sense of relief as our new vicar takes over her duties.

We are grateful to the Reverend M Balkwill, our Area Dean, for arranging clergy and lay readers to take the Sunday services during this time and we, the church wardens, thank both clergy, lay readers and everybody who have maintained the smooth running of the church during this time. It has been greatly appreciated.

May God's blessing be upon us all as we enter a new phase in the life of our church. Diolch i bawb am eich cefnogaeth.

*Esther Milner and Mary Morris
Your Church Wardens*

As a "House for Duty Priest", the Reverend M Robarts, unlike the Reverend Carter, is a part-time priest, giving an average of 3 days to parish duties (over and above Sunday services). A day = 2 of 3 sessions (morning, afternoon or evening).

In general, the "House for Duty Priest" should be occupied with worship and the spiritual and pastoral life of the parish. Administration should be the concern of lay people. The "House for Duty Priest" will keep in touch with community and church activities.

SPECIAL THANKS

We are very grateful to Wyn Hughes and his family for generously funding this edition of the newsletter. As you all know by now, the autumn edition does not have a permanent sponsor and it is very heartening that people in the village have come forward with donations so readily. Our very grateful thanks also to St Silin's, the Chapel Congregation and Llansilin Community Council for funding the other three issues.

Mothers Union meets in the Institute every third Thursday at 2.15 pm. Contact Glenice Jones ☎ 791 296

Over 60's Club meets alternate Tuesdays at 2.30 pm in the Institute. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

PALS (Llansilin Drama Group). For information about time and place of meetings, contact Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Parochial Church Council Meeting: second Tuesday alternate months at 7 pm in Church

Playgroup in the Institute: Wednesday and Friday free education for over 3's 8.45 am to 11.45 am (over 2½ welcome for £3 a session). Ti a fi Monday 9.30 am to 11.30 am (£2.50). Contact Dan Evans ☎ 791 417

Police Welsh 0845 607 1001
English 0845 607 1002

Post Office Tuesday 8.30 am to 2.30 pm
Thursdays 8.30 am to 12.30 pm

Rhiwlas Community Centre: contact Will Thomas ☎ 680 451

Rhiwlas Gardening Club: every third Wednesday in the Community Centre at 7.30 pm. Contact Debbie Taylor ☎ 600 329

Rural Car Service for visiting the doctor, dentist, chiropodist, etc. Contact Christine Williams ☎ 791 563 between 8 and 9 am and 6 and 7 pm unless an emergency

Shopping/Mobility Bus every Friday £3 return, free to bus pass or token holders. Leaves Llansilin 11 am and returns from Oswestry at 1.15 pm. Suitable for wheelchair user. Contact Border Community Transport ☎ 01938 556 281

Whist drive every second Wednesday September to May, 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Emyr Evans ☎ 791 240

Women's Institute: every second Friday at 7 pm in the Institute. Contact Tanya Jones ☎ 791 580 or Dorothy Bullard ☎ 791 373

YFC: contact Richard Evans ☎ 600 228

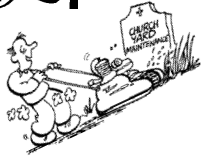
Youth Club meets Thursdays 7 - 9.00 pm in the Hall. Contact Elena Jones ☎ 780 315

Thank you to everyone who helps to keep this list up-to-date. Please carry on checking.



Village Activities

and other useful bits of information



Bell Ringing practice on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm (6 bells, 5-3-0):

Bowls Club 8.00 pm in the Memorial Hall on Mondays. Contact Ray Denye ☎ 791 434

Churchyard grass cutting: April to October every Thursday at 6 pm

Community Council meets every second Tuesday on alternate months 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Harry Hughes ☎ 657 972

C.R.A.F.T. Group meets on Monday mornings 10 am - 12 noon. Contact Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Cymdeithas Ddwylliadol Llansilin (Welsh Cultural and Literary Society) Mondays 7 - 9 pm September to April in the Memorial Hall. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

Drawing and Painting for all at Rhiwlas Community Centre Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon.

Garage Shop
Monday to Friday 8.30 am - 6 pm
Saturday 8.30 am - 1 pm
Closed for lunch 1 - 2 pm

Llanfyllin Group Practice Patient Participation Group Comments and questions regarding any aspect of medical care and practice to Rob Ellis ☎ 791 214

Llansilin Mixed Choir practice weekly in the Memorial Hall. Henry Evans ☎ 791 410

Llansilin Playscheme for after-school activities in sport, drama, arts and crafts. Contact Sian on ☎ 791 371

Local History Society: contact Chris Burton ☎ 791 274

Meals on Wheels: contact Carol Foulkes ☎ 791 326

Memorial Hall and The Institute: Secretary and Booking Clerk Arthur James ☎ 791 346

Mobile Library: every other Monday at Llansilin Church at 1.30 pm, then Moelfre layby 2.40 pm, Llangadwaladr 3.15 pm, Rhiwlas 3.45 pm. ☎ 01938 553001

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW PRIEST IN CHARGE

Almost two hundred people filled St Silin's Schurch on Friday 18 August for the licensing of the Reverend Margaret Roberts. Apart from nineteen robed clergy, the congregation was drawn not only from our parishes, but many well-wishers came from Margaret's former parish of Berriew, as well as other places. Her husband Les and members of her family were also present.

The service was conducted by the Acting Area Dean, Revd. Michael Balkwill, Rector of Llanfyllin. The Archdeacon of Montgomery, the Venerable John Thelwell, performed the solemn licensing ceremonies on behalf of the Bishop of St. Asaph. In his address, Archdeacon John explained that Mrs Roberts would serve as unpaid "House-for-Duty Priest-in-Charge". As well as officiating at all the normal services, she would spend three days a week on pastoral care and other community duties. It would be a partnership of Priest and People. We would all need to work together to support her in our joint mission, and that effort will be fruitful and rewarding. The Archdeacon went on to warmly commend Margaret for her energy and loving care, saying that Berriew's great loss was our wonderful gain.



The Reverend Margaret Roberts receiving the keys to the church from churchwarden, Esther Milner

Short addresses of welcome to Mrs Roberts were made by the churchwardens of Llansilin, Llangedwyn, Llangadwaladr and Rhiwlas, by Mr Stanton Evans representing the chapels, by representatives of the schools, county and community councils, and of the village of Omerville in France, twinned with Llangedwyn. Was this the first time French had been used in St Silin's since Norman times?

The Reverend Margaret Roberts, now Priest-in-Charge of the joint parishes, conducted the remainder of the service, which concluded with the blessing by the Archdeacon. The congregation formed

a long queue to greet our new priest. Everyone eventually reached the Memorial Hall where the ladies had prepared a splendid buffet supper, which was enjoyed by all. Such a buzz of conversation, such happy faces, such a tribute to all who had contributed to an unforgettable evening! For St. Silin's, the first woman to be priest here in 670 years of records. A wonderful, historic occasion!

JUBILATION

The ringing of the church bells on a glorious summer afternoon in July heralded the much awaited Consecration of the Parish Room by the Right Reverend John Davies, Bishop of St Asaph. In attendance were the Archdeacon of Montgomery, the Venerable John Thelwell, and the Reverend Edward Yendall, Vicar of Llanwddyn, and the service was led by our recently retired vicar, the Reverend Kit Carter. The procession into the church was led by the cross bearer, Mrs Margaret Lloyd, followed by the clergy and the two churchwardens, Mrs Esther Milner and Miss Mary Morris.

Church and chapel members and people from the wider village community filled the pews for the service, during which the Consecration Party processed to the Parish Room where the Bishop signed the Book of Names. The congregation was able to view the proceedings thanks to a CCTV camera link set up by our own Mr Chris Burton. All the readings were taken by members of the working party, led by Mrs Brenda Jones, whose original idea many years ago instigated the project. There was a delightful musical interlude performed by children from Ysgol Bro Cynllaith.



After the service everyone adjourned to the Memorial Hall for afternoon tea, where the Bishop cut the Celebration Cake kindly made and donated by Mrs Brenda Jones and decorated by Miss Bronwen Lloyd. Mrs Esther Milner sincerely thanked everyone for all their hard work on the project over the past five years and hoped that the Parish Room would be well used and would be a great asset for both the church and the community of Llansilin. This was a truly memorable afternoon and the happiness of the occasion was captured by Chris Burton's photograph.

Gweinidog

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Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin A'r Cylch

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Trys Carys Evans Tel 791 240

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Bellringing, St Silin's

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Steeple Keeper: Chris Burton
Tel: 791 274

Ringing Practice

Wednesdays at 7.30 pm

Rhiwlas Mission Church

Contact Marjorie Evans
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Llangadwaladr Church

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DIARY DATES

September

- 2 Produce stall at church gates 10 am to 11.30 am
- 12 PCC meeting in Parish Room 7 pm
- 30 Grand Concert in the Memorial Hall 7.30 pm

October

- 7 Coffee morning in the Parish Room 10.30 am to 12.30 pm
- ? Harvest service (date and details to be announced later)

November

- 12 Remembrance Service (details to be announced later)
- 14 PCC meeting in Parish Room 7 pm

Looking forward to December

- 1 Plygain at 7.30 pm in St Silin's
- 1-4 Village Christmas Festival in St Silin's 11 am to 4 pm
- ? One-act plays by PALS (date and details to be announced)

Times of regular church and chapel services are listed on page 16

Flower and Cleaning Rota at St Silin's

September

- 2 & 9 Margaret Lloyd and Sheila Ashley
- 16 & 23 Margaret Jones and Dot Renshaw
- 30 Mary Morris and Glenice Jones

October

- 7 & 14 Harvest Festival - joint clean and decorate
- 21 & 28 Val Talbot and Mary Cunnah

November

- 4 & 11 Megan Evans and Alma Jones
- 18 & 25 Joint clean for Village Christmas Festival



**Village Christmas Festival
St Silin's Church
Friday 1 December to Monday 4 December
11.00 am - 4.00 pm**

More information at a later date

A DREAM COME TRUE

The Parish Room is a dream come true. It has more than lived up to expectations, don't you think? I take my hat off to the working party who dedicated themselves to ensuring the church had the best addition possible; the builder who was not prepared to compromise his standards to meet deadlines; and the architect who designed such a splendid building.

The idea was first studied in 1993 but the parishioners and the village were not ready for it, so it was abandoned. This time, everything has fallen into place and the splendid team of talent couldn't have been better. Our prayers have been answered, grants and donations included.

This is a new chapter in the life of St Silin's because it will help the church play a bigger part in the community. Ideas for uses are endless – I name but a few: Sunday school during church services, after-service social time, youth groups, coffee mornings, exhibitions, demonstrations, rehearsals. The room is open for bookings and we look forward to a bright future.

BMJ

GWEINIDOGAETH BRO

Fe aeth Mis Mai, mis y cymanfaoedd heibio gyda phob enwad a'i cymanfa ei hunan. Fel arfer cafwyd Cyfarfod Pregethu gwerth chweil yn y Rhiwlas gyda'r Parch Emllyn Richards o Sir Fôn n cynnal y gwasanaethau, ac yn ôl traddodiad Rhiwlas roedd bwyd bendigedig rhwng y cyfarfodydd.

Eto eleni, roedd yr ieuenctid yng ngofal Gwasanaeth Neges Heddwch yr Urdd, ac ar y Sul cyntaf ym Mehefin tro y dynion oedd cynnal y gwasanaeth. Diolch i'r Parch Stanton Evans am drefnu'r ddau wasanaeth.

Edrychwn ymlaen i'n pererindod blynyddol ar y Sul cyntaf ym Medi. Eleni rydym am fynd i Bennal ger Machynlleth, ble mae cysylltiad agos ag Owain Glyndwr.

COFFEE MORNING in the PARISH ROOM

**Saturday, 7 October
10.30 am to 12.30 pm**

**Bring and buy stall, produce, plants,
raffles and refreshments**

Admission £1 to include free raffle ticket

**NEUADD GOFFA LLANSILIN MEMORIAL HALL
CYNGERDD MAWREDDOG - GRAND CONCERT**

**John Eifion (tenor)
and Cor Cymysg Llansilin (Llansilin Mixed Choir)**

Nos Sadwrn/Saturday 30 Medi/September at 7.30 pm

**Tocynnau/Tickets £5 (Plant/Children £3)
Ffon/Telephone 791346 for tickets**

INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

Llansilin Indoor Bowls Club has now been going for nearly 20 years, so has certainly stood the test of time. Quite a number of the original members are still playing today. We meet every Monday night apart from school holidays, etc, and we enjoy really lively, sociable evenings. Membership is £20 for life and then just £1 on the night or, alternatively, you can just turn up whenever you have the time and pay £1.50 for the evening – and this includes tea and biscuits into the bargain. Not bad for a really good night out.

All new members are made to feel really welcome. I know I was when I first joined the club back in 1997. Don't worry if you haven't played bowls before, you'll soon get the hang of it.

The club holds various competitions during the year and arranges friendlies with local teams from neighbouring villages. These are always really good nights. We also have an annual dinner, held at one of the local hostleries, when the various competition winners receive their trophies.

I do hope the above has wetted your appetite and look forward to seeing you at the Memorial Hall on Monday nights from 8 pm onwards. Women are particularly welcome at present as we have an imbalance of men to women, so don't be shy, give us a try!

Ray Denye
Secretary 791434

Cllr Carol Foulkes reported that there was ongoing vandalism in the public conveniences and if this continued she would have to consider her position as caretaker. She reported that the toilet pans were being deliberately blocked and offenders vomiting on the floor. Members agreed that this situation could not be tolerated and if it continued it could result in the closure of this facility.

The clerk was requested to report the following complaints: "Slow" sign in Rhiwlas not yet provided; uneven camber on road opposite Tynygroes, Rhiwlas; large timber lorries have blocked water course in Hafodig Lane; subsidence above Rhydleos and on Llangadwaladr Road; suspected return of badgers below Llansilin-Rhydygroesau Road.

THIS YEAR'S FOUNTAIN DRESSING

This will be the third fountain dressing with a difference by Llansilin C.R.A.F.T. group for the delight of villagers and visitors to the Sheepdog Trials and Village Show. It is now thus becoming a tradition and one which gets better each year.

The theme for the panels this year is "Birds" and, before beginning the creative work, much research has been done to make sure that the ones featured are as authentic as possible in order to meet the scrutiny of the many knowledgeable ornithologists in the area. As before, the materials used will be entirely natural – dried petals, seeds, leaves and so on – each glued individually and meticulously in place. The group has worked very hard and with their customary good humour and enthusiasm – even as the looming deadline demanded overtime working again.



The group has devised a quiz for budding young ornithologists to see how many birds they can recognise on the panels. Quiz sheets will be available at the fountain on Monday, 28 August from 1.30 pm, to be completed and returned by 4.45 pm. There will be two age groups with a prize for each: a bird feeder (age 9 and under) and a nesting box (age 10 to 13).

Post cards of the last fountain dressing are on sale in the Post Office. Please contact Alison Beeston on 791262 if you would like to join the group.

PALS TO PERFORM IN DECEMBER

PALS Drama Group is aiming to put on an evening of one-act plays in early December. The plan is to meet at 7.30 pm on 7 September in the Institute to finalise parts and to start rehearsals in October. For more information, phone Alison Beeston on 791262.

WELL DONE, COR CYMYSG LLANSILIN

Cor Cymysg Llansilin (Llansilin Mixed Choir), under their conductor Iona Jones and with accompanist, Eleri Owen, competed for the first time at the Powys Eisteddfod at Llangadfan and did well to gain second place. Mary Lloyd Davies's choir from Llanuwchllyn came first. The choir has had many charitable concerts during recent months and is now having a break until September.

TWO REPORTS FROM LLANSILIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Mr John Evans of the Mid and West Wales Fire Service gave an interesting and informative presentation on community safety at the AGM and offered to attend meetings of local organisations to give advice. Cllr Trevor Jones was appointed Chairman for the ensuing year and he thanked the members for the honour conferred upon him. He paid tribute to the excellent manner in which his predecessor, Cllr Wyn Davies, had carried out his duties. Cllr Davies thanked members for their co-operation. The chairman, vice-chairman and Cllr E O Evans were re-elected to the planning sub-committee and Cllrs Mrs Carol Foulkes and E O Evans to the Youth Club committee. The Youth Club funding lease between the County Council and the Community Council was signed by the chairman and completed lease document in respect of the public conveniences was received.

The clerk reported that traffic calming measures near schools were decided on a priority basis. Hopefully Ysgol Bro Cynllaith would be included in the budget for 2007/8. The clerk was asked to submit a complaint to the Post Office Authority regarding the proposed closure of credit card accounts and to contact the Highway Authority regarding unlicensed cars in Moelfre and subsidence in Moelfre and Rhydleos. He also dealt with a complaint about loss of parking space due to the household waste containers provided by Powys CC by explaining that no car owner had an automatic right to park in any given spot.

At the Annual Parish Meeting 2 members of the public present asked to have the wording reversed on the "Ford Cadwgan - School Lane" sign. It was pointed out that the policy of the Highways Authority was to put the Welsh version first and this was confirmed by members of the Community Council when it reconvened. The sign is now in place.

At the July meeting the clerk, H Hughes, was congratulated on being appointed vice-chairman of Montgomery Shire and on his re-election as chairman of Montgomery Shire Planning Committee. Members were told that customers could still access their cash at a post office, even though the card account contract would not be renewed in 2010. The following planning applications were supported: extension and alterations at 13, Maesyllan; conversion of stable to dwelling at Priddbwl Bach; erection of 4 houses and 2 bungalows at Bryncelyn. Members were concerned regarding alleged instances of disruptive and abusive behaviour by youngsters on hall premises during a meeting of the Youth Club. Three culprits had been identified and their parents informed. Members agreed that should this continue the police would be informed.

"PLAYGROUP OF EXCELLENCE" AWARD FOR CYLCH MEITHRIN

Mudiad Ysgolion Meithrin (MYM) recently awarded Cylch Meithrin Llansilin a certificate of excellence in Welsh medium years care and education in the voluntary sector – the "CYLCH RHAGOROL" seal. The scheme has been established by MYM to recognise the quality and excellence of the provision offered by cylchoedd Meithrin (playgroups). Rhianwen Huws Roberts, Chairman, said:

"Providers of early years care and education such as Mudiad Ysgolion Meithrin are coming under increasing pressure to show evidence of their high standards of service and care. We know that many of our Cylchoedd are indeed centres of excellence, but we have not been able to recognise that excellence nationally until now. We are very proud to present Cylch Meithrin Llansilin with the "Cylch Rhagorol" Seal."

To receive this coveted award, the Cylch (Playgroup) is assessed by professional, independent inspectors who take into consideration all aspects, including the people involved, the environment and the experiences offered to the children. Rhiannon Chilton-Thomas, leader of Cylch Meithrin Llansilin said:

"We are so proud to be awarded this very special honour, it means a lot to all the parents, staff and committee members involved in the Cylch. The children of course enjoy coming to the Cylch, and learning through fun and play, but it is very important to have national recognition for all the hard work and high standards offered in our Cylch. Being awarded the "Cylch Rhagorol" seal will enable cylchoedd such as ours to receive national recognition and to show parents and prospective parents that we offer a service of excellence."



Cylch Meithrin Llansilin was established in 1998 and currently has 20 children's places and 3 staff. Please contact Dan Evans on 791417 for more information.

NEWS FROM YSGOL BRO CYNLLAITH

This year we say goodbye to Eleri Evans, Martha Fensome, Abbie Tomlinson, Matthew Mitchell, Asher Hawkins Brown, Gethin Jones, Huw Jones and Ifan Thomas as they move on to their next step in education. They have been a very caring and thoughtful group and we wish them all the best for the future. The leaving service was lovely and it was blissfully cool in the church. Despite the heat the parents insisted on playing a full game of rounders with the pupils and won 7 to 4. A return to their school days!!

We've had some most interesting visitors to the school this term. Carolyn Grimward came all the way from Brisbane, Australia. Her great grandfather, Hugh Solomon Williams, was head of Llansilin School for 40 years! We had been in touch before her visit and some of our older children now have pen pals in Australia. Mrs Greta Jones of Llanrhaeadr came in to tell the children about her time at Moelfre School. The children were very interested and asked some good questions. Mr Bill Morris from Chirk talked about his visits to Africa. The children thoroughly enjoyed his slides and we hope to do some fundraising in the new term. We had a very successful trip to Big Pit and Mrs Davies' class enjoyed going on the canal at Llangollen..

Well done to all the children who took part in the Football Tournaments at Pennant and Llangedwyn and the Oswestry and District Sports at Ellesmere, when a number of pupils came first in their event. Thank you to Greg Cosford for taking Football Club and Nikki Maddocks and Ann Lloyd for their help with Dragon Sports. Well done to Eleri Evans who won the Draughts competition and to Sarah Butler who won the Chess. All the events the children take part in give them points for their House Teams. This year the House shield was won by GYRN with 194 points. Well done to all the teams for their efforts throughout the year.

We are grateful to all the children who took part in the Consecration of the Parish Room. They were presented with St Silin's pens and bookmarks as a thank you.

Sainsbury Vouchers – Thanks to everyone who supported the school by sending in over 6000 vouchers. We are still collecting Yellow Pages, Persil Star coupons, used stamps, ink cartridges, mobile phones. All contributions gratefully received.

On the last afternoon of the summer term we held what was planned to be a 'Picnic in the Park'. However, as a result of the weather being abnormally hot and the school field offering very little shade, the event, complete with gazebo, had to be transferred to the Memorial Hall. The children entertained an audience of parents and other members of the village with a variety of songs and instrumental solos. The afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all and proved a delightful way to finish the school year.

Vacancy from September 2006

Mid-day supervisor
2 or 3 days per week
from 11.45 am to 1.15 pm

If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, please contact the school after the holiday

Mair Smith
Head teacher

Places for 3 year-olds

on Tuesday and Thursday morning
from 9.30 to 11.30 am
in conjunction with Llansilin
Cylch Meithrin.

Please contact Mrs Brenda Davies
at the school for further information

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

This year Llansilin and District collected the grand total of £612.66. Sunday evening's singing festival with Llansilin Choir giving items and Anna Jane, Christian Aid organiser present, raised £163. The coffee evening raised a total of £139.75 after giving a donation of £50 to Dolen Ffermio. Lorna Brown, a retired vet from Llanfyllin, gave an inspiring and thought-provoking talk on the work of Dolen Ffermio, which is completely voluntary and helps farmers in Uganda to improve their livestock and provides Aids orphans with the means to earn their own living. House to house collections in Llangedwyn, Moelfre, Rhiwlas and Llansilin raised £168 and Rhiwlas and Cefnancol Chapels donated a further £141.70.

The secretary, Rhiannon Lewis, and treasurer, John Jones, wish to thank everyone for their generosity for this worthy cause. Diolch yn fawr awn.

SHEEPDOG TRIALS



VILLAGE SHOW

Monday 28th August

Open Sheepdog Trials from 8 am

Horse Show from 10 am

Scarecrow Judging 1 pm

Village Show from 2 pm

5-a-side Football 4.30 pm

Admission to all areas £2, c hildren 50p

Saturday, 26 August

Local Trials and Dog Show from 2 pm

Social Evening 8 pm

HORSE SHOW

