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WIGWAM NEWSLETTER

Dear All,



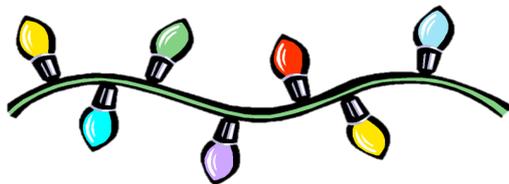
So, not to worry you but it is already only 4 weeks until Christmas.



Although a few places have had Christmas in full swing since the beginning of November, up to now I have been able to deny it. No longer so.

Sadly, we have had to cancel a few things for the safety of everyone. We are not alone in this, but it is still disappointing.

Mencap, who were going to organize a Christmas party for us have, on my recommendation, cancelled this year and will look to invite all the primary aged children next Christmas. I just felt that putting many children and parents in a room close together this year when the levels of Covid-19 are rising in Guernsey would not be a particularly sensible thing to do. No one wants to be unwell or isolating over Christmas. The charity fete at Beau Sejour too was cancelled for the same reason.



As Le Petit Train ride up through town to see the lights is outside it will go ahead. This has been organized by a parent and it is such a good idea that the 44 seats were snapped up quickly. If those lucky people who have tickets enjoy it, we will look, next year, whether this could become an annual WigWam event.

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Winter Wonderland

Again, sadly, this annual display of lights and entertainment has been cancelled this year because of the rise in Covid infections locally. This includes the planned “quiet” event which is hosted for people with Autism and sensory issues. I am including a mention of the event because I have had a few enquiries as to how you get tickets for the “Quiet” night. So, assuming they follow the same procedure next year, you can get them direct from Eventbrite, the ticket agency. However, just to make sure people understand, this event is for people who find too much noise difficult, so it is what it advertises itself to be, a quiet low stimulation event. If you go along expecting the activities and razmataz of the main event you are going to be disappointed.

Community Ticket

It has come to our notice (thank you again Kim Marquis) that there might be the possibility for a community ticket to Beau Sejour to allow older teens and young adults, free use of the swimming pool and gym. This would only be available for children and young adults with a disability, and you would apply to be a community member through Wigwam. If this is something anyone over the age of 14 with additional needs would be interested in, please can you indicate so on the Facebook Members only page or text 07839121678 so I can gauge whether there is enough interest for Wigwam to proceed with this.

Playscheme

Applications for the playscheme for a sponsored Wigwam one to two place need to be in by 5th December at the very latest when the playscheme itself closes its application process.

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