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Swmae! I cannot believe that it's August already! With the summer well underway, here are some ways to enjoy it, prepare for the upcoming academic year, and just some bits and pieces that may be of interest.

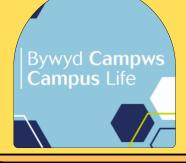
As per the usual, if there is anything that you need from me or that you feel I could help with, you're always welcome to email!

LOOKING FOR WORK THIS SUMMER?

The summer is often a good time to fit in some part time work or voluntary experience, and our Students Union has a fab resource guide to employability and careers advice. From setting you up with placements, to providing top tier advice on a range of careers and pathways, they've got a load of information and contacts for you to make use of.



WHAT'S ON?













NEED SUPPORT?





There are some fantastic resources across the university if you need help. Whether you're finding things hard at the moment and need someone to talk to, or if you need advice and guidance on something specific, these hapus resources are there for you if and when you need them. Click the links to find out more.

STUDENT FINANCE **APPLICATIONS**

If you haven't already, please get your funding applications in as soon as possible to ensure your finance is paid correctly.

For students who have previously given evidence of estrangement, please check this to ensure it states 'for the duration of your studies'. If it states 'for the academic year' you will need to provide evidence again and I am more than happy to help you with this however I can. Pop me an email if you need a hand.



CAMPUSLIFE SUMMER SOCIALS

If you're around the city over the summer and fancy a day or afternoon out, CampusLife have you covered. The team are running a series of socials at least once a week, visiting various beauty spots and attractions across the city. Most are free and the rest are really reasonable, so definitely worth popping

OUTDOOR THEATRE AT OYSTERMOUTH

While we have this gorgeous weather, I thought the outdoor theatre events would be a good addition to our summer events suggestions. These theatre evenings are a lovely excuse for a picnic and to enjoy the castle and its grounds. There are two during August, have a look if it takes your fancy!



ST THOMAS&PORT TENNANT COMMUNITY GROCERY

Local organisations have worked together to open an accessible, affordable community grocery. Shopping options range from a regular shop, with 12 items at 5, to an extra large shop of 30 items for £12.50. It's a fab community initiative to help with the cost of living. You can find them at St Stephen's Church, Gelli St. Port Tennant, SA1 8NF. Click the link for more info.





SORTED ACCOMODATION FOR NEXT YEAR?

If you haven't yet, don't panic. There are student letting agents across the city with places still available, social media groups for students renting in the city, as well as available spaces in University Accommodation if you need or want them. If you're coming up against any concerns or issues while searching though, don't hesitate to pop me an email.

FREE BUSES IN AUGUST



If you were in the city over the Easter, you will remember that Swansea Council put on 9 days of free bus travel across the city. This is a Swansea tradition over the summer too, and announcements have been made that free buses will run on given days until August 26th. Here is a link to the more details.



STUDENT FINANCE APPLICATIONS

It's really important that you complete your student finance applications as soon as possible to avoid any funding issues going in to next academic year. if you are having difficulty or need advice on completing your application, please get in touch to have a chat about how we can help. If you have suspended your studies, please get in touch so we can make sure your funding is all as it should be.

UPCOMING PROJECTS IN PARTICIPATION

As many of you know, I started in this role at the University in November and have been asking for your thoughts and looking for ways to add to and improve the service and options available through participation. There are some very exciting projects in the pipeline, including links to community resources and vital information sessions, as well as some more social ideas for the upcoming year. As always, I would love to hear what you think and if you have any thoughts on what I can do to shape Participation to what you want and need from it. Please get in touch!

IN SWANSEA FOR SUMMER?

We're lucky to be surrounded by some amazing sights and scenery in Swansea and if you're around for the summer, it's the perfect time to take the opportunity to explore some of the places you might not have had the time to during term time. Here's a list of a huge number of free and super cheap things to see and do.



These links are for organisations that support specifically for care leavers and people who are estranged, if you would like to know more about them click on the links.



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