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Dear Reader

Welcome to a special Welcome Issue of GO!News for 2022!

We hope you enjoy reading about all the things we have to look forward to during this welcome period!

We've been working hard to create a fun, safe and exciting programme of social events to welcome you to Swansea University, wherever you happen to be in the world, and kick-start this next chapter of your life!

We also have information on volunteer opportunities and where you can access advice and support.

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Still here to help

Internationale@CampusLife (ICL) are here to help and support International students with non academic queries. In particular we can help with visas and immigration, international family questions and cultural aspects of living in the UK. We also provide opportunities for social interaction and community building through our GO!Programme.

Remember - **we are still here to support you!** Please visit our website to explore our pages of advice and guidance, as well as details on how you can get in contact with us via email, **Live Chat**, ad hoc webinars or other online activities:

www.swansea.ac.uk/international-campuslife/

We also have our **Official Swansea University International Welcome Group** on Facebook, dedicated to welcoming new International Students to our university, linking them with course-mates and friends. [Click here](#) or search for us on Facebook and become a part of our International community.

What's Going On?

Stay up-to-date with all the welcome and induction activities happening at the university this year!

Internationale@CampusLife will be running a mix of virtual and in-person social activities throughout the Arrivals period to welcome our new and returning students. Our activities hope to build a sense of community, introduce you to new friends and make settling-in that little bit easier.

These activities include social events, informal hang-outs, trips and more, all carried out with health and safety in mind!

Check out our [Arrival, Enrolment and Social Activities](#) web page to discover all the fun activities we have planned for this period (you can also reach it via this link):

<https://bit.ly/3aXljep>

We will ask you to book or reserve your space on each activity - more information on booking can be found on our website: www.fatsoma.com/campus-life



You'll find a packed programme of events and activities, taking place both online and in-person. Some of these will be run by Internationale@CampusLife, but there are many more events for you to take part in too.

Download the Swansea University App to your mobile device and stay up-to-date with everything going on!



More information on the App can be found here:
myuni.swansea.ac.uk/arrivals/arrivals-app/

GO!Eat | Cost £10 (usually)

Since starting a couple of years ago, our GO!Eat evenings have grown in popularity - International and Home Students have come along to a different Swansea-based restaurant each month to enjoy food from all the over the world and meet new friends too! Our host restaurant will typically provide us with a £10 set-menu for us and there's always plenty of food! GO!Eat usually takes place on the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm. GO!Eat evenings are advertised across social media and tickets are sold via fatsoma.com/campus-life



GO!Programme Look Back GO!Trip to Heatherton, World of Activities

During August we took a coach trip to Heatherton in St Florence. It's a great place for families and grown ups for fun, adrenaline adventures.

There was a variety of activities to chose from, weather you wanted to get lost in a maze or race each other on the go karts! Or the more family friendly bumper boats and giant jumping pillows, which of course meant the children were napping on the coach back!

Some brought their own packed lunch to relish, whilst others purchased fresh homemade pizzas on site, which we were told were DELISH!

If you are looking to go in the future, the students found the best way to make use of their time was to pre-purchase credits - who knows, after doing archery, and loving it, it could become a hobby during study breaks!

Everyone who attended loved that there were loads of different choices of things to do, and even managed to beat the clock at the escape room!



The GO!Team Volunteer Programme

Volunteering is a great way to meet people, gain employability skills and get involved with the community. If you'd like to volunteer as a GO!Team Member, and want more information, please see our detailed information leaflet or email international.campuslife@swansea.ac.uk

5 Places to Explore!

Swansea is a beautiful city, with plenty of places to explore. The top five places we would recommend visiting in your first couple of weeks are:

- **The Mumbles**
 - Take a bus ride down to the end of Mumbles to visit our Victorian Pier, find the Lighthouse and play on some arcade games.
- **Clyne Gardens**
 - Not far from Mumbles is a stunning park, which is a sanctuary for people from the hustle and bustle of city life, with bluebells woods and a Rapunzel Tower.
- **Singleton Park**
 - Just behind our Park Campus is a park with acres of simple, open green space, a great place to have a picnic, chill out and read or have a game of football with friends!
- **Swansea Marina**
 - A place where the city meets the sea, the marina is a lovely place to wander and watch the boats come in with plenty of coffee shops and restaurants to stop in.
- **Crymlyn Burrows**
 - Just behind our Bay Campus are dunes, marshes and the beach of Crymlyn Burrows - a haven for wildlife and wildlife lovers!

Details on bus timetables so that you can visit any of the above, can be found here:

<https://www.traveline.cymru/>