

# Ymddiriodolaeth Ymyrraeth Cynnar Plant

## Children's Early Intervention Trust

### The Anne Marie Jones 2017 Memorial Lecture

6.00 pm, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at the Eric Sunderland (MALT) Lecture Theatre, Bangor University

We are delighted to announce that this year's Anne Marie Jones Memorial Lecture will be given by

**Professor Sally Holland, Children's Commissioner for Wales**



***'How can Wales ensure that every child has an equal chance to be the best they can be?'***

In her presentation the Commissioner will talk about overcoming economic and social inequalities, evidence-based policies and links to children's rights.

Sally Holland became Wales' third Children's Commissioner for Wales in April 2015.

In her first year in post she undertook a large-scale consultation – Beth Nesa' / What Next - with children and young people throughout Wales, and used the findings to set her priorities for her first three-year plan. Her priorities include mental health and well-being, effective anti-bullying strategies, reducing inequalities and improving transitions to adulthood for those who have ongoing support and care needs. She is campaigning for equal protection in the law for children from physical assault and hopes to see all public bodies in Wales adopt and implement the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Sally is a registered social worker with experience in the statutory and voluntary sectors. Prior to taking up the post of Children's Commissioner, she was a Professor at the School of Social Sciences at Cardiff University. During her time at Cardiff University, she founded and became director of CASCADE Children's Social Care Research and Development Centre. Originally from Scotland, Sally has lived in Wales since 1992 and is a keen Welsh learner.

### What does the Commissioner do?

Established in 2001, the Children's Commissioner for Wales is the independent human rights institution for children and young people in Wales. The organisation's principal aim is to safeguard and promote the rights and welfare of children and young people.

- **Support children and young people** to find out about children's rights
- **Listen to children and young people** to find out what's important to them
- **Advise children, young people and those who care for them** if they feel they've got nowhere else to go with their problems
- **Influence government and other organisations** who say they're going to make a difference to children's lives, making sure they keep their promises to children and young people
- **Speak up for children and young people** nationally on important issues – being the children's champion in Wales

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### Darlith Goffa Anne Marie Jones 2017

6.00 y.h., Dydd Mawrth 21<sup>ain</sup> o Fawrth 2017 yn Theatr Darlith Eric Sunderland (MALT), Prifysgol Bangor

**Rydym yn falch iawn o gyhoeddi y bydd Darlith Goffa Anne Marie Jones eleni yn cael ei rhoi gan**

**Yr Athro Sally Holland, Comisiynydd Plant Cymru**

***'Sut y gall Cymru sicrhau fod pob plentyn yn cael cyfle cyfartal i fod y gorau y gallant fod?'***



Yn ei chyflwyniad, bydd y Comisiynydd yn siarad am oresgyn anghydraddoldeb economaidd a chymdeithasol, polisïau sy'n seiliedig ar dystiolaeth a chysylltiadau â hawliau plant.

Daeth Sally Holland yn drydydd Comisiynydd Plant ym mis Ebrill 2015.

Yn ei blwyddyn gyntaf yn y swydd ymgymerodd ymgyngoriad ar raddfa fawr - Beth Nesa - gyda phlant a phobl ifanc drwy Gymru, a defnyddir y canfyddiadau i bennu ei blaenoriaethau ar gyfer ei gynllun tair blynedd gyntaf. Mae ei blaenoriaethau yn cynnwys iechyd meddwl a lles, strategaethau gwrth-fwlio effeithiol, lleihau anghydraddoldebau a gwella trawsnewidiadau i oedolaeth ar gyfer y rhai sy'n cael cefnogaeth barhaus ac anghenion gofal. Mae hi yn ymgyrchu dros amddiffyniad cyfartal yn y gyfraith ar gyfer plant rhag ymosodiad corfforol ac yn gobeithio gweld pob corff cyhoeddus yng Nghymru fabwysiadu a gweithredu Confensiwn y Cenhedloedd Unedig ar Hawliau'r Plentyn.

Mae Sally yn weithiwr cymdeithasol cofrestredig sydd â phrofiad yn y sectorau statudol a gwirfoddol. Cyn dechrau ar swydd Comisiynydd Plant, roedd yn Athro yn yr Ysgol Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol ym Mhrifysgol Caerdydd. Yn ystod ei amser ym Mhrifysgol Caerdydd, sefydlodd hi, a daeth yn gyfarwyddwr y Ganolfan Ymchwil a Datblygu Gofal Cymdeithasol Plant "CASCADE". Yn wreiddiol o'r Alban. Mae Sally wedi byw yng Nghymru ers 1992 ac yn ddysgwyr awyddus Cymreig.

### **Beth mae'r Comisiynydd yn ei wneud?**

Wedi'i sefydlu yn 2001, Comisiynydd Plant Cymru yw'r sefydliad hawliau dynol annibynnol ar gyfer plant a phobl ifanc yng Nghymru. Prif nod y sefydliad yw diogelu a hyrwyddo hawliau a lles plant a phobl ifanc.

- Cefnogi plant a phobl ifanc i gael gwybod am hawliau plant
- Gwrando ar blant a phobl ifanc i gael gwybod beth sy'n bwysig iddyn nhw
- Cynghori plant, pobl ifanc a'r rhieni sy'n gofyn amdanynt os ydynt yn teimlo rhu bod wedi cael unrhyw le arall i fynd gyda'u problemau
- Dylanwadu llywodraeth a sefydliadau eraill sy'n dweud ei bod yn mynd i wneud gwahaniaeth i fywydau plant, gan wneud yn siŵr ei fod yn cadw ei addewidion i blant a phobl ifanc.
- Siarad ar ran plant a phobl ifanc un genedlaethol ar faterion pwysig- bod yn bencampwr y plant yng Nghymru.

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