



## PUSHING BOUNDARIES EXHIBITION



The Pushing Boundaries exhibition opened at The National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth on 23rd April 2016.

The exhibition traces the history of Girlguiding Cymru from its establishment in 1910 to the present day. Using photographs and original items from the Girlguiding Cymru archive as well as the Library's collections we will look at how the movement has pushed the boundaries and impacted on the lives of girls over the years.

Linda Tomos, National Librarian, The National Library of Wales said: "This is a fascinating exhibition which explores how Girlguiding has influenced perceptions about what girls and young women are capable of achieving. I am delighted that the partnership with Girlguiding Cymru and the People's Collection Wales had succeeded in raising awareness of the work of this wonderful organisation."

Viv Craig, Girlguiding Cymru added: "Girlguiding Cymru is extremely excited about the forthcoming exhibition 'Pushing Boundaries', to be held in The National Library of Wales in Aberystwyth. It is the culmination of two years of work in partnership with the Library. Girlguiding has benefitted enormously from the expertise and knowledge that the Library has shared with them, from developing and digitising its archive, sharing the details on the Peoples Collection Wales, to gaining national qualifications through the learning and intergenerational work that has taken place. Great relationships have been formed throughout this partnership which Girlguiding hopes will continue and flourish well into the next decade. As a result of all this work, Leaders have come to appreciate the value of Libraries – Girlguiding couldn't have done this work without the Library's support."

Recognition of this partnership has been acknowledged by the Heritage Lottery Fund enabling

Girlguiding to continue working with the Library to develop current technology using iBeacons and apps to promote the 'Young Roots' heritage in Guiding in Wales. In the show you will get a chance to see:

- uniforms when the organisation first began
- The rugby ball that was transported around each of the Girlguiding Counties before the start of last year's world cup
- The plane pull which raised money for the air ambulance
- How girls of today 'push boundaries'
- The tapestry depicting Girlguiding through the years, made by the Welsh Trefoil Guild

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For more information about how you or your daughter can get involved with Girlguiding, the leading charity for girls and young women in the UK, visit [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk).

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