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Thoughts for the Day - Blessings in Disguise...

Does your burden seem too heavy for your back to bear? Do you ever think that life is cruel and unfair? Do not yield to bitterness for that way lies defeat. Things will take a turn someday and life be good and sweet. You will find that all the trials that but you to the test spurred you on and made you stronger, bringing out the best. The troubles of the present you will view with different eyes, and someday you will see that they were blessings in disguise.

LOCAL news:

DURROW & ABBEYLEIX SELECTED AS BoI ENTERPRISE TOWNS: *Calling businesses and community to get involved!* Abbeyleix & Durrow have been jointly selected as Bank of Ireland 'Enterprise Towns'. The Bank has taken a three-pillar approach to this initiative, whereby the local Branch Managers, Jason Ryan Bank of Ireland Abbeyleix and Karen Flanagan Bank of Ireland Durrow are working closely with the business community, the wider sports and social community and the schools in the towns.

Various planned activities will take place over the weekend of Friday 14th October and Saturday 15th October, the aim of which is to promote and drive momentum for SMEs in the locality, while showcasing all that both towns have to offer. Around 20 people from the local community attended the Townhall Event in The Heritage Centre, Abbeyleix on Wednesday 7th September. Details of the Enterprise Town initiative were discussed at the meeting which will include a Business Expo which will take place on Friday, 14th October from 5pm to 8pm and a Sports and Community Expo which will take place on Saturday 15th October from 11am to 2pm. Both events will take place in in Scoil Mhuire National School, Abbeyleix, are free to attend and are open to both customers and non-customers of Bank of Ireland.

Commenting on the initiative Jason Ryan Branch Manager, Bank of Ireland, Abbeyleix said: "We are very excited to host the 'Enterprise Town' initiative in Abbeyleix. I am delighted to see the great level of support from the local communities for the initiative and we are calling on businesses to get involved. "The Enterprise Town initiative gives businesses the opportunity to promote what they have to offer. It takes a community to build a community and with the platform Enterprise Town provides, matched with the commitment shown from the people of both towns, the Abbeyleix & Durrow Enterprise Town initiative promises to deliver a major boost to the local economy and community life. The event is a fantastic opportunity for Abbeyleix & Durrow and the surrounding areas".

Businesses, clubs and societies interested in taking part in the events can register by emailing Jason Ryan Branch Manager Abbeyleix at jason.ryan@boi.com and Karen Flanagan Branch Manager Durrow on karen.flanagan@boi.com or calling into the Abbeyleix or Durrow branch to speak to a member of staff.

MIDLAND CAKES by RITA: Midland Cakes by Rita has now joined Kyle Farm Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables at the Saturday Market every Saturday morning from 8.30am to 12 noon in the CAIT Centre, beside the Catholic Church in Durrow. Rita makes celebration cakes for all occasions, cupcakes, cookies, scones, breads and standard cakes and these will be available each Saturday. Christmas cake orders now taken up until October 8th. For more information, please phone Rita on (085) 8423201 or Marie on (087) 7742506. Do drop in on Saturday!

PILATES CLASSES: Classes will be held in Cullohill Community Centre on Tuesday, October 4th from 2pm to 3pm. The teacher will be Julie McGuire. For details come on to the first class!