



## Welcome to the January Newsletter!

The first newsletter of 2025 has arrived! Wow, 2024 has flown by and here we are ready to go again for another wonderful year at the Hub. We had a very busy month in December with quizzes, shows, parties and all the usual busyness too! This month we will be back to business as usual, we are also launching out Defibrillator fundraiser! Keep reading to see some of our December highlights, some exciting things coming soon and some wonderful groups that are ready for some new members!

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A vertical poster with a blue-to-green gradient background. At the top is the Bushmead Community Hub logo. Below it, the text "Defibrillator Fundraiser" is in bold, followed by the tagline "Together we can make a difference". In the center is a graphic of a heart with two hands cupping it. Below this, the text "Help Us Save Lives in Bushmead!" is followed by a paragraph explaining the need for a 24/7 accessible defibrillator. Another paragraph encourages donations and mentions online options. At the bottom is a QR code for donations and the website address "www.bushmeadhub.co.uk".

**BUSHMEAD  
COMMUNITY HUB**

**Defibrillator Fundraiser**  
Together we can make a difference

**Help Us Save Lives in Bushmead!**

We need your support to raise funds for a 24/7 accessible defibrillator at the Bushmead Community Hub. This life-saving device could make all the difference in an emergency, ensuring our community has access to critical care when it's needed most.

Every contribution, big or small, brings us closer to our goal. You can donate in person at the hub or conveniently online. Your generosity means the world to us and to everyone in this community. Thank you for making a difference!

  
www.bushmeadhub.co.uk

This month we officially launch our fundraiser for a 24 hour accessible defibrillator for the Bushmead community. We feel this will be an invaluable and potentially life saving device for the community. All donations are very much appreciated. If you are unable to donate or would like to help more, please do share our appeals and fundraising pages on social media.

[Donate Here!](#)

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## December Highlights



The amazing Sing Space choir put on an incredible performance in December. After only 12 weeks of practising they did an incredible performance! If you are interested in joining the choir please see the link below!

[Sing Space Choir](#)



We had our annual 'Young at Heart' Christmas party. We had a lovely time with many members of the community. A huge thank you to the fantastic Luton Brass Band who came and played for us.



We enjoyed our first Hub quiz night! It was a great evening and we raised £320 towards our defibrillator fund! Thank you to everyone who attended and we hope to see even more of you next time!



## Hirer News



Isabelle is now running her informative and highly rated Baby and Child First Aid courses as afternoon sessions! Sessions will be running from 1:30pm - 3:30pm on 11th January, 1st February and 1st March 2025.

[Book your place here!](#)



## Try our classes for free!

Book a trial on the 18th or 25th January for classes at The Bushmead Community Hub and receive a complimentary child's ticket for our annual show in February

**Do you have a child who loves to dance and make new friends?**

We are giving the chance to try:

We have over 50 classes a week so if these are not suitable please get in touch to find out more

Saturday 18th and 25th January

- 9am-9.30am 5-7 yrs ballet
- 9.30am-10am 5-7 yrs modern jazz
- 10am-10.30am 5-7 yrs street dance
- 10.30am-11am acrobatics
- 11am-11.30am 5yrs + contemporary
- 11.30am-12pm 8yrs + street dance



 [www.tinasschoolofdance.com](http://www.tinasschoolofdance.com)

Tina's School of Dance have their annual show at Luton Sixth Form College on the 22nd and 23rd February 2025 - The Bushmead dancers are excited to take part for the first time! They have been working really hard and can't wait to perform in front of their family and friends!

The Wildlife Trust help to look after the Hub communal garden areas and are looking forward to working with local volunteers to make further improvements this Spring (please let hub staff know if interested!). However during winter our focus is more on the nearby chalk hills where various



groups have helped to cut trees back on Bradgers Hill to create more grassland areas, but further afield on Stopsley Common we have been planting a new hedge that connects Bradgers Hill with Hay Wood. This is great news for small mammals and birds who will be able to travel along this hedge and/or eat the plentiful supply of berries!



Thanks to local volunteers, gardeners from Penrose Roots and our Youth Rangers for completing this work. (see attached pictures)

To find out more about your local nature reserves, wildlife and the gardening project at the Hub why not attend our family open day on Thursday 20th Feb? More details to follow in the next newsletter!



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## Other News

# The Intersectionality Learning College

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- Domestic abuse
- Barriers to education or employment
- Mental health issues
- Housing difficulties
- Intersectional identities (e.g., Age, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race, Religion and Belief, Sex (Gender), Sexual Orientation, Disability, Care Leavers, or Lived Experiences)

The Intersectionality Learning College is here to support women in accessing education, developing employability skills, gaining accredited qualifications, transitioning into meaningful employment opportunities. For more information please see our website or email us.

Available Level 1 Qualifications:

- Employability Skills
  - Personal and Social Development Skills
- Spaces are limited to 10 learners

Learning Details:

- Duration: 4 weeks
- Commitment: 3-4 days per week (9:30 am-2:30 pm)
- Delivery in-person learning

Locations:

- Luton
- Bedford
- Central Bedfordshire

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<https://www.theintersectionalitylearningcollege.com/>

Thank you for joining us for another month! We are excited to see what 2025 holds.

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