Activities continued

Right Start 3: Strength & Balance 9–10am on Fridays at The Pavilion

HDC Active Lifestyles' sessions are a great way to keep building your strength and balance, helping individuals maintain their independence and quality of living. Led by a qualified and friendly instructor, each session offers a relaxed and encouraging space where everyone can go at their own pace.

Classes can be pre-booked up to seven days in advance on the One Leisure app or by calling 01480 388111. www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/rightstart

Coffee morning

11am-midday on Friday 11 July and 8 August in The Club

Looking for a bit of company and a cuppa, head over to The Club for a chat. All welcome!

Youth Club

From 6pm on Friday 11 July in The Pavilion

Alconbury Weald Youth Club meets on the second Friday of each month (excluding August): 6–7.15pm for Year 4 to 6 and 7.30–8.3opm for Year 7 to 11. For more information, please email fusion.coordinator@gmail.com

Brownies and Guides

6–7pm Brownies, 7.30–8.30pm Guides on Wednesdays at The Pavilion

This term, the Brownies and Guides earnt their 'Chippy Walk' badge with a brisk walk around Alconbury Weald, followed by chips and ketchup at The Watch Office Bar and Kitchen. The Brownies explored STEM by making slime, while the Guides tackled an edible architecture challenge with Pringles. They also crafted sea bead brooches in the shape of the Girlguiding trefoil.

Girlguiding offers friendship, confidence, and fun in a supportive space. Find out more and join: www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child

Events

Community Association

7.30pm on Wednesday 2 July and 6 August via Teams

Join the meeting to find out more about the Alconbury Weald Community Association, what it has planned for the rest of this year and how to get involved.



Teams meeting ID: 327 054 324 960 Passcode: yYADVj or scan the QR code

Joue.Play x Puddle Jump Lane Summer Party 9.30am and 11am on Sunday 6 July at The Pavilion

A whimsical experience filled with imaginative play, dress-up fun and joyful surprises for little ones under 6. Book online at https://bookwhen.com/puddlejumplane

CPR and defibrillator training

7.30pm on Thursday 17 July at The Pavillion

Magpas Air Ambulance is delivering a free community training session to teach these vital skills, so participants leave with the knowledge and the confidence to save a life. No booking required.

ESCA School Fair

4.30–6.30pm on Friday 18 July on the school field

Friends of ESCA will be holding its annual Summer Fair to raise funds for the school — with stalls, games and music.

Summer Reading Challenge

30 July–3 September. Weekly check-ins 10am–midday on Wednesdays in The Club

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Challenge is Story Garden – Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors. Children taking part receive a sticker for each book completed, and a certificate and medal for successfully completing the challenge.

Save the dates

13 September — Heritage Day 18 September — next Resident Forum



Key Contacts



General maintenance

Including: grass cutting; clearing drains; gritting main roads in winter; repairing street lighting; trimming hedges and ensuring play area safety.

Managed by Encore Estate Management 01223 866980 | info@encoreestates.co.uk

Housebuilders

Support once you've moved into your new home, to include outside lighting, electricity, water and network connections. Please contact your house builder with any queries.

Alconbury Weald community and events

Including: community events; activities; facilities; and new resident information.

Natalie Leigh-Brown, Community Development natalie.leigh-brown@urbanandcivic.com | 01480 413141

Health

Alconbury Doctors' Surgery | 01480 890281 www.alconburybramptonsurgery.co.uk

Local Health Visiting Team 01480 418656

For a smooth healthcare handover, please remember to register at Alconbury Doctors' Surgery as soon as you can. If you have moved locally and are already registered at the practice, please remember to update your new address.

Home-Start Cambridgeshire

Free, confidential, non judgemental emotional and practical support to families with children under 5 experiencing a range of challenges.

01480 700242 | office@homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk www.homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk

Community Newsletter

The Warbler

July/August 2025



Alconbury Weald

Hello from Natalie



Hello and welcome to the July/August edition of The Warbler.

I'd like to start by thanking everyone who came along to support the Open Gardens, Food Festival and Beer Festival last month. It was fantastic to see friends, family and neighbours meeting up to enjoy some of Alconbury Weald's calendar highlights, relax and chill out in the sunshine.

smart journeys was at the Food Festival with its smoothie bike, promoting its 1-2-1 travel planning sessions. It is a great way to find out about the different active and sustainable travel options available and develop a bespoke plan for your regular trips and summer outings. If you are one of the first 20 people to complete their session before 20 July, you'll receive a free summer bus pass (terms and conditions apply).

The Sports Hub consultation has been well received and we've extended the deadline for feedback by a week — to Wednesday 9 July — so there's still time to let us know your thoughts and ideas.

As well as regular classes and activities, Alconbury Weald has a fantastic range of parks, trails and picnic areas, so we hope you are able to enjoy getting out and exploring during the summer holidays.

All the best Natalie

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Around Alconbury Weald

Community Garden

Following the launch of the Community Garden in May, residents and pupils from Prestley Wood Academy have been busy planting flowers, herbs and vegetables — and the garden is starting to flourish.

There is still lots to do and everyone is welcome to come along, get involved and enjoy time connecting with neighbours over a shared passion for gardening.

Community Garden Club 10.30-11.45am on Saturday 5, 19 and 26 July

Lauren Kendrick, a permaculturalist, grower and founder of Flourish Peterborough is supporting the development of the Community Garden with free sessions in July. Book your space in advance on EventBrite (search 'Alconbury Weald').

We're also hoping to have some outdoor yoga sessions in the Community Garden this summer. Keep an eye on Facebook for more information.



New allotments

Windsor Road allotments will officially be handed over to new plot holders on 2 July. If you are interested in having an allotment at Alconbury Weald, please email Encore to join the waiting list: info@encoreestates.co.uk

Work starts on new secondary school

Following approval of updated plans last month, work has started on Alconbury Weald Church Academy which is due to open in September 2027.

The new secondary school has been designed in line with the Council's aspirations around sustainability, energy efficiency and best practice design and will support DEMAT's ambitious curriculum for its future pupils. It has also been designed to facilitate out-ofhours access to enable the community to use the main hall, performing arts spaces and sports facilities.

Sports Hub consultation extended



The deadline for comments on proposals for Alconbury Weald's Sports Hub, which is coming forward in Phase 3 of the development, has been extended to Wednesday, 9 July.

Find out more and let us know what you think: https://consultation.alconbury-weald.co.uk

Alconbury Weald Water Savers

It doesn't take much to cut your bills

Did you know that every time you use hot water, you pay for it twice — once to buy it and again to heat it? Just a few small changes — like using eco mode on your appliances or taking slightly shorter showers — can make a big difference.



■ Use our simple Alconbury Weald Water Savers calculator to see how much water, energy and money your household could save each month.

- Start saving now at: www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/water-savers
- Want to know more? Get in touch with our. friendly water-saving experts by emailing watersavers@alconbury-weald.co.uk

Activities

Alconbury Weald hosts a wide range of clubs and classes that cater for all ages and abilities, and we've highlighted a few below. Find out what else is available at www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on

LA Academy Swim School

Private 1:1, 2:1 and SEN classes 3:30pm-6:30pm Monday-Friday from September 2025 at Prestley Wood Academy

Prestley Wood Academy's state-of-the-art hydrotherapy pool — with lovely warm water and poolside viewing — is perfect for beginner to intermediate level swimmers from 21/2 years old.

Email Prestleywood@laacademy.co.uk or call 01223 650348 to find out more.

Tania Fitness classes Weekly classes at The Pavilion

- Pregnancy Fitness Pilates from 6.45pm-7.35pm on Mondays
- Fitness Pilates from 7.40pm-8.30pm on Mondays
- Mums & Tots Fitness from 10.30am-11.15am on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Find out more and book at www.taniafitness.com

Chess Club

7–9pm on Tuesdays at the Community Garden

The Chess Club is trialling an additional time/location for folks who can't make Sundays (5-7pm at The Watch Office). All welcome. Under 16s to be accompanied by an adult.

Unleash adds new classes Weekly classes at The Pavilion

Tuesdays 6.30pm and Thursday 7am: Barre Friday 12.15am: Yoga Flow

Saturday 9am: NEW Barre Arms & Abs (with Emily)

All classes are 45 minutes and are open to all levels. Find out more and book online: www.unleashwitholivia.com