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ATTFE College - Stakeholder Newsletter

Issue 12: Friday, 27th February 2026

Welcome to the ATTFE College Stakeholder Newsletter. Keeping you up-to-date with updates and news about ATTFE College activities, events, opportunities, and community initiatives

Our Stakeholder newsletters aim to share information about activities and opportunities relevant to local residents and organisations around ATTFE College campuses.

In this November edition, you will find information about:

- Events & Activities Recap
- Stakeholder Spotlight
- Funding Opportunities

- Community Bulletin Board
- Upcoming Courses
- Wellbeing Materials
- Food Pantry Information

ATTFE College Activities



#InThisTogether - Stop the Bleed at the National Pubwatch Conference

On Tuesday, 24th February 2026, team ATTFE College were in Liverpool attending the **National Pubwatch Conference**, sharing key insights from our **#InThisTogether – Stop the Bleed** initiative.

This life-saving project aims to equip communities with vital skills to respond in emergencies, and it was incredible to have the chance to **showcase our work to a wider audience**. The conference also provided a fantastic opportunity to **connect with partners across the licensed trade and wider industry**, all committed to keeping communities safe.

We're proud to continue spreading awareness and building community resilience through this important initiative.

To learn more about this initiative, visit our webpage:

[Learn More](#)



ATTFE College Featured on ITV News for #InThisTogether – Stop the Bleed

On the 18th of February 2026, ATTFE College was proud to feature on ITV News, highlighting our **#InThisTogether – Stop the Bleed** campaign in partnership with Nottinghamshire Freemasons and East Midlands Ambulance Service.

Our Principal, **Liz Barrett OBE DL**, alongside tutor and first-aid trainer **Sarah Lewsey**, spoke passionately about the importance of this powerful initiative and why equipping people with life-saving bleed control skills can make such a vital difference in an emergency.

The coverage provides a fantastic platform to encourage our community to learn **citizenAID** stop-the-bleed techniques, and serves as a strong call to action for organisations and businesses to ensure their premises are equipped with publicly accessible bleed kits.

Together, we can build safer, more resilient communities.

Watch us on ITV News' website:

[ITV News Article](#)



ATTFE College Opens New Community Space in Kirkby-in-Ashfield!

We're thrilled to announce that ATTFE College has a brand new community space in the heart of Kirkby-in-Ashfield! This welcoming venue will be the hub for our **community coffee mornings** and a wide range of engaging **community courses**, all designed to bring people together and help develop new skills.

We're proud to bring **#LifelongLearning** and **#FurtherEducation** directly to the Kirkby community, and we can't wait to share what's coming up!

Community Coffee Mornings

Mondays

10am – 12pm

FREE – everyone welcome!

Pop in for a cuppa, a chat, and the chance to connect with others in the community. It's a relaxed, friendly way to start your week — we'd love to see you there!



Boccia and Kurling Sessions for Leamington Residents

Last week, residents at **Willetts Court** had a fantastic time trying out **Boccia** and **New Age Kurling**, bringing the excitement of the **Winter Olympics** to their doorstep.

The session is part of a wider programme delivered by **ATTFE College** and funded by **Sport England**, aimed at helping residents stay active, connected, and having fun.

With great energy, plenty of laughter, and lots of movement, it was a brilliant way for the community to enjoy sport and wellbeing together!



Funding Opportunities



Funding for Charities Supporting Children with Language and Hearing Difficulties

The Speech Language and Hearing Foundation has announced funding to support education, therapy and research aimed at improving the lives of children facing communication challenges and complex developmental needs across the United Kingdom.

The Foundation provides grants to small UK-based charities working with children who have hearing impairments, speech delays, language and communication difficulties, or broader complex needs. In addition to direct educational and therapeutic support, funding is also available for medical innovation and research initiatives that advance understanding and treatment in these areas.

The Foundation prioritises projects that:

- Support children with hearing impairment, speech and language delay, or complex developmental needs
- Advance medical innovation and new developments relevant to these children
- Promote research across topics related to childhood deafness, communication disorders and associated conditions

Recent awards have ranged between £500 and £15,000, although no fixed grant ceiling has been formally specified.

Past grants have supported a wide range of educational, clinical and research projects, including:

- The provision of part-time speech and language therapists in schools serving high levels of deprivation, particularly for children who do not meet the criteria for an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Postgraduate training in Educational Audiology at Mary Hare School
- Acoustic treatment of classrooms delivered by The Jewish Deaf Association
- Research into childhood deafness undertaken by RNID
- A pilot project for ICAN's award-winning "Tots Talking" programme
- The provision of laptops to enhance speech and language therapy delivery

By targeting small charities and focused initiatives, the Foundation aims to deliver practical, measurable improvements in access to specialist support and inclusive education for vulnerable children.

Applications for funding may be submitted at any time throughout the year.

[Learn More](#)

Funding for Respite Breaks for Disabled Children and their Families

Individual families, groups of children, schools, organisations, and other registered charities can apply to the Adamson Trust for financial assistance

towards the cost of holidays or respite breaks for disabled children with physical, mental, or emotional impairments.

To be eligible, the child must be a UK resident and between the ages of 3 and 17. The Trust requires evidence of their disability or illness from a medical or social services professional. Grants from the Trust usually only cover a portion of the holiday expenses.

The next application closing date is 31 March 2026.

[Learn More](#)

Funding to Support Disadvantaged Young People and Offenders

The Worshipful Company of Weavers has launched a new funding round through its charitable grants programme.

The fund's primary focus is on helping young offenders and ex-offenders, and other disadvantaged young people find pathways to meaningful employment and community participation. It also offers backing to smaller charities that work with underfunded groups within the criminal justice system.

Organisations eligible to apply include registered UK charities and charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs). In certain circumstances, community interest companies (CICs) may be considered.

There are two levels of funding:

- Small grants of up to £5,000
- Main grants with no formal cap, though many typical awards fall in the £10,000–£15,000 range.

The Charitable Grants Committee meets in February, June and October each year and the next application closing date is 12 March 2026.

Previously funded projects have included:

- Supporting disadvantaged young people (aged up to c. 30) to develop life-skills and access education, training or employment.
- Helping young offenders, ex-offenders and their families to reintegrate, overcome social and economic barriers, and make a positive contribution to society.
- Funding direct intervention work with women involved in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system – for example, mentoring, training or outreach for women facing abuse, exploitation or other vulnerabilities.

- Backing smaller, specialist organisations delivering bespoke services (rather than large generic programmes) – especially local charities operating at community level.
- Supporting initiatives aimed at preventing young people “at risk” of offending from entering the criminal justice system through early-intervention, mentoring or training programmes.

[Learn More](#)

Funding Available for Creative Youth-Led Nature Projects

Grants of £500 are available for projects led by young people that celebrate UK native wildflowers, plants and fungi in exciting and engaging ways.

The funding is made available to individuals and groups of young people through Grow Wild’s Youth Grants programme, which supports young people in delivering a wide range of creative projects that will inspire communities and help people connect to each other and nature.

Grants can be used for anything project-related, from basic materials and equipment to resources or training.

Young people aged 16 to 25 can apply directly as an individual or as a group, but will need to nominate a youth, community or education-focused (including schools) organisation to support them with their project.

The application process involves submitting a two-minute video about the project idea and a short online application form.

Successful projects can be started in May and must be completed by the end of October 2026.

The deadline for applications is 3pm on 18 March 2026.

[Learn More](#)

Bulletin Board

Charity Bake-Off Event

In Partnership with Ashfield Fire Station

Get ready for a sweet treat in support of a fantastic cause!

Ashfield Fire Station and ATTFE College are joining forces to host a **Charity Bake Off** on **Wednesday 11 March 2026, from 5.00pm to 7.00pm**, at the **Cornerstone Theatre, Sutton-in-Ashfield (NG17 1BW)**.

The event will raise funds for the **Fire Fighters Charity**, with an exciting Bake Off competition followed by a delicious bake sale from our very own Butterfly Bakery. Refreshments will also be available after the judging, creating a warm and welcoming community atmosphere for all.

Tickets are **£2 each**, with all proceeds going directly to the Fire Fighters Charity. Please note that tickets must be booked in advance:

<https://forms.office.com/e/qqsPeSLyYs>

We'd love you to join us for an evening of creativity, community spirit and, of course, cake — all while supporting a truly worthwhile cause. 🍰 ✨

Book your tickets, here!

YOU'RE INVITED TO ASHFIELD'S



CHARITY BAKE OFF

WEDNESDAY | FROM 5:00PM
11 MARCH | TO 7:00PM

CORNERSTONE THEATRE, SUTTON IN ASHFIELD,
NG17 1BW

ASHFIELD FIRE STATION & THE ATTFE COLLEGE
ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR THE FIRE FIGHTERS
CHARITY - JUDGING FIRST FOLLOWED BY BAKE
SALE AND REFRESHMENTS.

BOOK TICKETS HERE - ALL AUDIENCE MEMBERS
WILL BE ENTERED INTO A RAFFLE



Interested in registering as a participant?

How to take part:

- Bakers will create their masterpieces in the Butterfly Bakery Kitchen at Sutton Community Academy on the afternoon of 11th March 2026.
- All ingredients, equipment, and expert guidance from our sugar craft tutor will be provided.
- A cake brief will be shared once you sign up.

The Bake-Off Event:

- Cakes will be presented to the judges from 5–7pm on 11th March 2026.
- Afterwards, a cake sale will take place to raise funds for this fantastic cause.

Sign up or get more info:

- **Email:** dianne.holmes@attrust.org.uk
- **Tel:** 01623 441310

Don't miss out — show off your skills, have fun, and support a brilliant cause!



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
Fire & Rescue Service
Creating Safer Communities



CHARITY BAKE-OFF

🍰 Calling All Bakers! 🍰

Are you a budding baker? Whether you're a novice or a pro, we want you to enter our Community Bake Off!

 **Date:** Wednesday 11th March 2026

 **Location:** ATTFE College

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All proceeds support the
Fire Fighters Charity.

Upcoming Shows at Cornerstone Theatre!

We have multiple exciting shows lined up at the Cornerstone Theatre, and we can't wait for you to join the fun!

You can check out our live and upcoming shows on **TicketSource** by clicking the button, below:

**CORNER
STONE**

TicketSource



**CORNER
STONE**

TO THE FUTURE

1 MAR
2026
2PM

Cornerstone Theatre at
Sutton Community Academy
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 1BW

Get your tickets on TicketSource:
www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-dkvgork

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STONE**

CHINA CRISIS

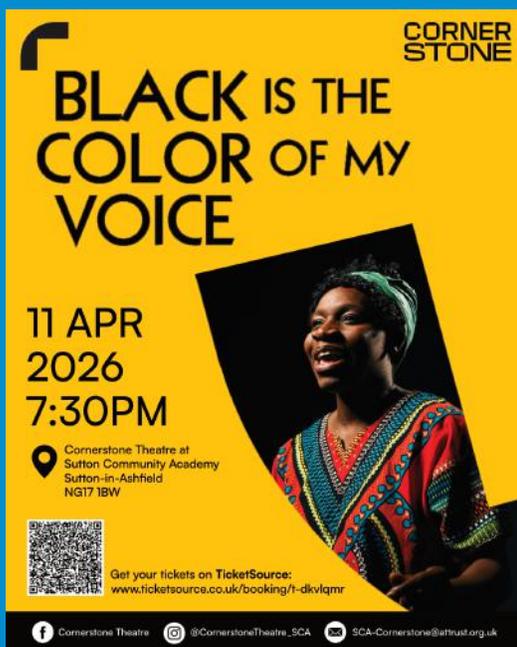
Warped Tour 2026

6 MAR
2026
7:30PM

Cornerstone Theatre at
Sutton Community Academy
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 1BW

Get your tickets on TicketSource:
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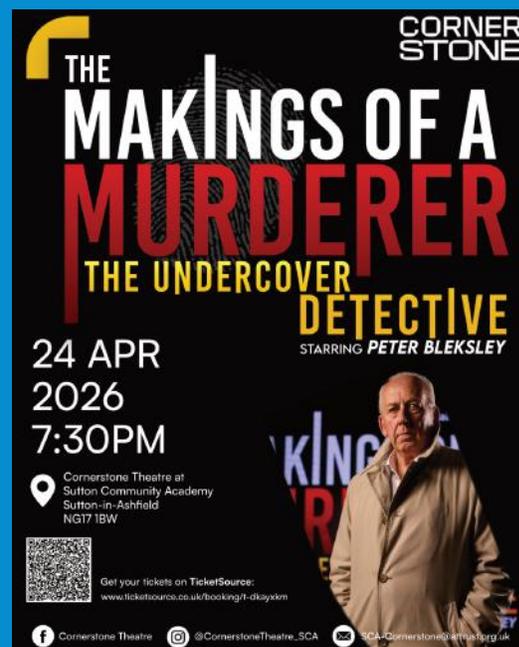
BLACK IS THE COLOR OF MY VOICE

11 APR
2026
7:30PM

Cornerstone Theatre at
Sutton Community Academy
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 1BW

Get your tickets on TicketSource:
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**CORNER
STONE**

THE MAKINGS OF A MURDERER

THE UNDERCOVER
DETECTIVE

STARRING PETER BLEKSLEY

24 APR
2026
7:30PM

Cornerstone Theatre at
Sutton Community Academy
Sutton-in-Ashfield
NG17 1BW

Get your tickets on TicketSource:
www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-dkzyxmr

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Upcoming Courses

Academy Transformation Trust Further Education

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East Midlands
Continental County
Authority

FREE*

Entry Level 3 Essential Digital Skills

This course is designed to equip learners with basic digital skills needed for life and work. The course will cover topics such as using devices and handling information, creating and editing documents, communication using digital skills and keeping safe online.

Course Code: 25ASF114

Tuesdays, 9.30am – 2.30pm
Starting 24th March – 19th May 2026

Venue:
Adult Learning, Sutton Community Academy,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1BW

Available for learners aged 19+ years. *Please contact us for eligibility criteria. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@atrust.org.uk

Website: www.attfe.org.uk #inThisTogether

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Entry Level 3 Essential Digital Skills

This course is designed to equip learners with basic digital skills needed for life and work. The course will cover topics such as using devices and handling information, creating and editing documents, communication using digital skills and keeping safe online.

Course Code: 25ASF186

Mondays, 5pm – 8pm
Starting 13th April – 20th July 2026

Venue:
Adult Learning, Sutton Community Academy,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1BW

Available for learners aged 19+ years. *Please contact us for eligibility criteria. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@atrust.org.uk

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Level 2 in Understanding Nutrition and Health

This course will support learners to improve their knowledge of healthy eating principles and the role of food in maintaining a good health. Delivered in a practical way, learners will also take part in practical hands on cooking activities to enhance their knowledge of food nutrition and healthy recipes.

Course Code: 25ASF084

Wednesdays, 9am – 3pm
Starting 1st April – 8th July 2026

Venue:
Shine Café, King Street,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1AT

Available for learners aged 19+ years. *Please contact us for eligibility criteria. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@atrust.org.uk

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A More Confident Me Skills for Job Search and Job Applications

This course will equip learners to build their skills, knowledge and confidence in job searching, applying for jobs and interview skills.

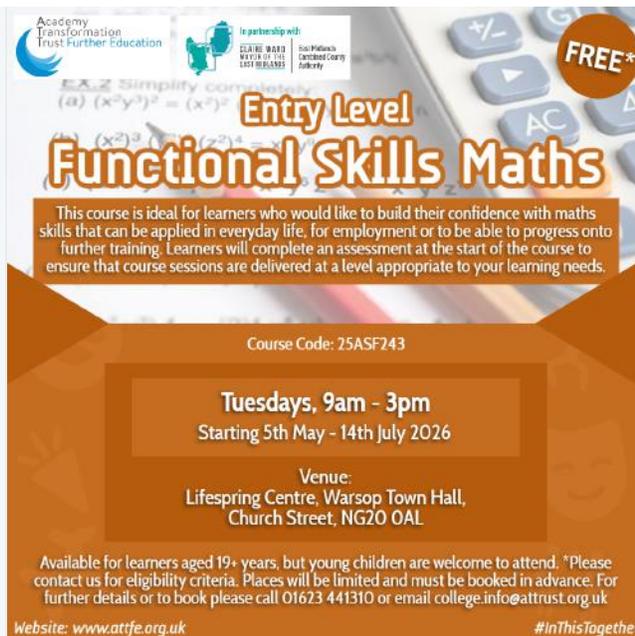
Course Code: 25ASF136

Thursdays, 9.30am – 2.30pm
Starting 7th May – 16th July 2026

Venue:
ATTFE College Community Hub,
Idlewells Shopping Centre, Sutton-in-Ashfield

Available for learners aged 19+ years. *Please contact us for eligibility criteria. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@atrust.org.uk

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Entry Level Functional Skills Maths

Supporting you to develop your maths and English skills in a friendly environment with our experienced tutors. Learners will be assessed at the beginning of the course to enable us to support you at the appropriate level for your needs.

Course Code: 25ASF243

Tuesdays, 9am - 3pm
Starting 5th May - 14th July 2026

Venue:
Lifespring Centre, Warsop Town Hall,
Church Street, NG20 0AL

Available for learners aged 19+ years, but young children are welcome to attend. *Please contact us for eligibility criteria. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk

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Functional Skills (Maths and English)

Supporting you to develop your maths and English skills in a friendly environment with our experienced tutors. Learners will be assessed at the beginning of the course to enable us to support you at the appropriate level for your needs.

Course Code: 25ASF043

Available sessions:

Mondays, 9.15am - 2.45pm **Tuesdays, 9.15am - 2.45pm**

Starting w/c 13th April 2026 until w/c 13th July 2026
(12 weeks, term-time only and excluding Bank Holidays)

This is a 1-day a week course. All learners will attend the first session and complete an assessment which will determine which day they will need to attend the course based on the current level of learning.

Venue:
ATTFE College
Sutton Community Academy

Available for learners aged 19+ years. FREE to attend if you live in Nottinghamshire or Derbyshire*. Places will be limited and must be booked in advance. For further details or to book please call 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk

#InThisTogether www.attfe.org.uk

Here are a few of our upcoming courses at ATTFE College! Please keep an eye on our social media pages for the latest updates and information.

Alternatively, you can view a list of our upcoming courses on our website:

Upcoming Courses



If you're looking for something more flexible, we also offer a number of ONLINE courses such as mental health, counselling, retail, coding, and many more.

Our online courses provide the same high-quality education as our in-person courses with the added convenience of being able to learn from anywhere.

Scan the QR Code to go your **Online Courses**

webpage!

For more details or to sign up, please contact 01623 441310 or email college.info@attrust.org.uk. Please don't forget to mention the course name and course codes when signing up.

Alternatively, you can fill out our Course Enquiry Form, below:

Enquiry Form

Let's All Eat Food Pantry

Our weekly food pantries provide low cost food for families whilst reducing food waste. See below details to find out where your local food pantry is.

There is no need to book and no referral needed.

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For **£3.50 payments each week** you will receive between £12 - £15 worth of good quality food. A **£1 joining fee** applies to all to ensure a lifetime of membership to the 'Let's All Eat Pantry'. This is payable on your first visit along with the £3.50 for that week's food.

Please bring your own bag to carry your food items home.



Huthwaite Methodist Church

- Every Wednesday, 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Location: Sherwood Street, Huthwaite, Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 2LX
- Contact information: 07867451424

St. John's Methodist Church

- Every Monday, 1.00pm - 3.00pm
- Location: Titchfield Avenue, Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1EU
- Contact information: 07867451424

Lifespring Church and Oasis Cafe

- Every Thursday, 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Location: Sherwood Drive, New Ollerton, Newark, NG22 9PP
- Contact information: 07867451424

On a Tuesday evening 4-7pm, we offer good quality high value food at the Lifespring Church through the 'Stay and Eat Social Hub'.

LET'S ALL EAT FOOD PANTRY
SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD

Let's help reduce food waste!

We use surplus food from supermarkets to support the reduction of food waste and ensuring food sustainability. Through our food pantries, people are able to access affordable healthy food which reduces landfill whilst enabling money to stretch further.

Every Monday from 1pm until 2:30pm

St John's Methodist Church,
Titchfield Avenue,
Sutton-in-Ashfield, NG17 1EU

£1 lifetime membership fee
£3.50 each week for your food box
Each food box contains an equivalent of £12 - £15 worth of food.

No referrals needed, no qualifications required as everyone is welcome! Just come along and access the support you need in a welcoming space.

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HUTHWAITE

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Every Wednesday from 1.30pm until 3pm

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Sherwood Street,
Huthwaite, NG17 2LX

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LET'S ALL EAT FOOD PANTRY
OLLERTON

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Sherwood Drive
New Ollerton, NG22 9PP

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#WellbeingWednesday

Resources on our Website

We compiled a bunch of wellbeing resources on our ATTFE College website. From exercise videos, wellbeing materials, and information regarding our Mental Health First Aiders, you can find them there!

To go to our Wellbeing Page you can click, here: [Wellbeing - ATTFE College Webpage](#)

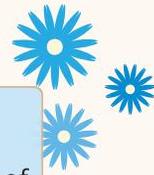
Resources on our YouTube Channel

On our YouTube channel, we host multiple wellbeing resources such as Tai Chi, beginners exercise, yoga videos and many more!

You can go to our YouTube channel, here: [ATTFE College - YouTube Channel](#)

Make sure to subscribe so you don't miss anything, and feel free to share with your friends and family!

DAILY AFFIRMATIONS



Today, I choose
joy.

I am worthy of
love.

My mind is full of
clarity.

I am deserving of
success.

I trust in my
journey.

I attract positive
energy.

I am creating
my future.

I trust in my
abilities.

I am grateful for
today.

#WellbeingWednesday

ATTFE College

Sutton-In-Ashfield, Nottingham
United Kingdom NG17 1EE

#InThisTogether

