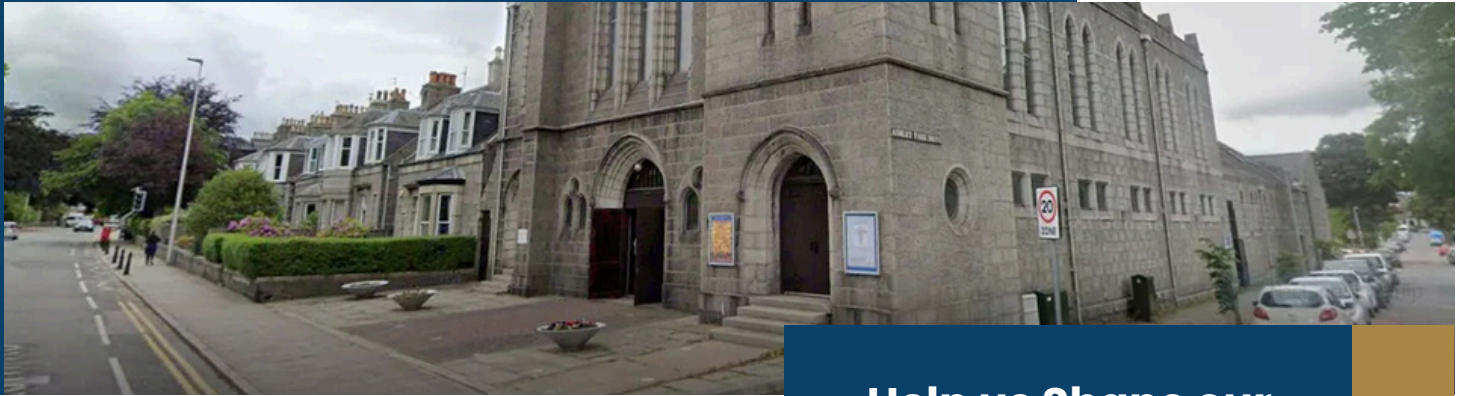


GREAT WESTERN COMMUNITY CENTRE

WWW.GWCCENTRE.CO.UK



February 2025



Welcome

Welcome to our February edition of the Great Western Community Centre Newsletter!

In this edition, we are focusing on the new classes that have started at the centre, and those due to start in the coming weeks.

We also take a look back at our recent Lunar New Year event and upcoming events taking place at your community centre.

Make sure to follow us on social media and visit our website to keep up to date with what's happening!

Help us Shape our Community Centre

At Great Western Community Centre, we're always looking for ways to diversify our programme of activities and ensure we're offering something for everyone in our community. That's where you come in!

Do you know of any groups or classes looking for additional space? Are there activities you'd love to see in our centre that aren't currently on offer? Or perhaps you have a passion or skill you'd love to share by starting your own group for like-minded people? If so we'd love to hear from you!

We want our centre to reflect the interests and needs of our community. Whether it's arts & crafts, fitness, wellbeing sessions, music lessons, support groups or social meet-ups, we're open to all ideas.

If you've ever thought "I wish there was a class for that" – now is the time to let us know.

If you have suggestions, or if you're interested in running a session or group, please get in touch. Let's work together to create a dynamic and inclusive space that truly serves our community!

Contact us at office@gwccentre.co.uk or call 01224 675748 to share your ideas.

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New Class Started Indoor Bowling

On Thursday 20th Feb, we held our first Indoor bowling session. We were delighted to welcome 10 people along, a mix of both experienced bowlers and complete beginners. A great time was had by all!

If you are interested in coming along and giving indoor bowling a go, its only £2 a session and its held here at Great Western on Thursdays 10am to midday.

We'd love to see you there!

New Class Started Dance Fitness

This amazing new dance fitness class started on the 19th Feb and has now moved to its new time slot of 5.45pm on Wednesdays!

Have fun and keep fit with Sofia with your first class FREE! Contact Sofia to register: sofiakondylia@gmail.com

New Class Started Drawing & Sketching

On 19th Feb, our new Drawing & Sketching Class was launched. Ideal for beginners and enthusiasts of all levels. Each Wednesday at 7pm, with the first class FREE. Contact Sofia to register your interest by emailing sofiakondylia@gmail.com or visit www.sofiakondylia.com



Puppy Classes

Learn how to train your puppy using reward based methods in a safe, secure and supportive environment and have lots of fun teaching them all the basics!

Block of 6 classes
£120



Starting 5th March
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
📞 07985267667
www.addogtraining.com

Coming soon.....

One of several new classes starting at Great Western Community Centre is Puppy Training classes with A.D Dog Training. Suitable for puppies up to 20 weeks old!

Starting on Wednesday 5th March at 6.30pm.

Contact A.D Dog Training to reserve your space now: 07985267667 or email: addogtraining@gmail.com or visit www.addogtraining.co.uk

Coming soon....

On Wednesday 5th March at 11.30, join us for our brand new class- Chair Strength with Pilates Props!

First Class is FREE!

How to join: contact sofiakondylia@gmail.com or pop in for your free class!

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Chair Strength

with Pilates Props

Ideal for **adults with limited mobility** and those who need help with **stiffness and pain**.

- Improves muscular balance & movement range
- Fun, slow-paced, personalised
- Equipment provided

Join this **restorative class** and bring your smile back. **Just take a seat!**

WEDNESDAYS
11:30-12:30

ONLY £5/CLASS
REGISTER ANYTIME, PAY MONTHLY
FIRST CLASS FREE

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HOW TO JOIN

- CONTACT sofiakondylia@gmail.com
- SCAN THE QR CODE (www.sofiakondylia.com)
- JUST POP IN FOR A FREE CLASS!

Coming soon....

THURSDAYS 7-8PM

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GREAT WESTERN COMMUNITY CENTRE

MARCH BLOCK | £36
DROP IN | £10

YOGA FOR EVERYBODY AND EVERY BODY

Starting Thursday 6th March at 7pm, an evening yoga class designed to help you shake off the day and prepare for deep, restful sleep. Expect to leave feeling lighter, calmer and ready to drift into a peaceful night's sleep.

To book or for more info contact Rachel 07835663357 or email dubsyoga@gmail.com

03/09

down or sitting) * A technique to revolutionize your life!

Curious?

Learn all about the core principles through fun games and activities (all abilities welcome) with....

The Alexander Technique Workshop

2 -3.15pm

Friday 14 March'25

@ Great Western Community Centre

To book/information
 contact: cathrob321@gmail.com
 or cath 07814227482




Coming soon.. The Alexander Technique Workshop

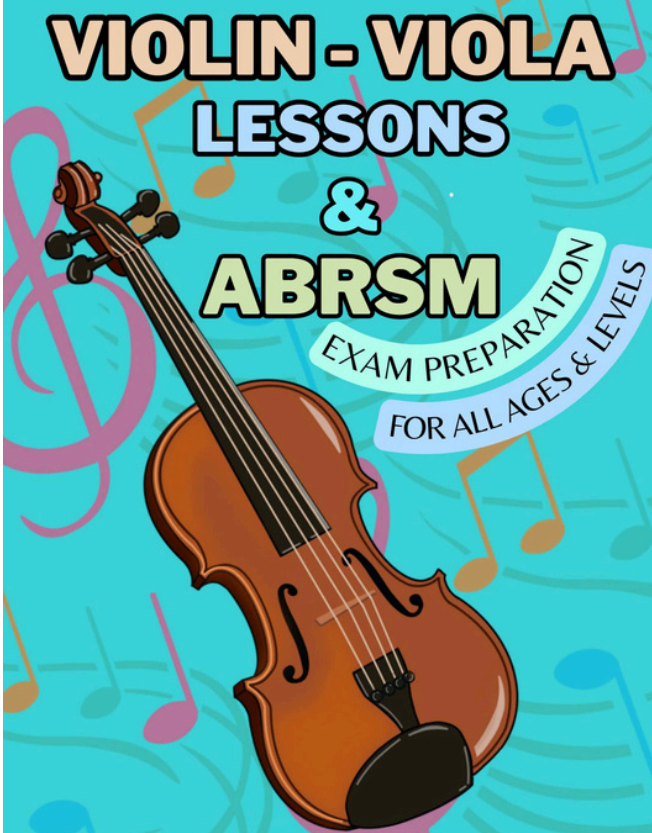
Join us on Friday 14th March at 2pm for a transformative workshop that could revolutionise your life!

Discover the core principles of the Alexander Technique through fun, games and activities designed to help you move, breathe and feel better. Whether you're new to the technique or looking to deepen your understanding, this session is open to all abilities.

Don't miss the opportunity to learn and grow in a relaxed and welcoming environment. £5 suggested donation. To book contact: cathrob321@gmail.com or call 07814227482

VIOLIN - VIOLA LESSONS & ABRSM

EXAM PREPARATION FOR ALL AGES & LEVELS



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✉ YENDYDEABREU@GMAIL.COM

Express your interest.....

Violin & Viola Lessons Coming Soon!

Exciting news! Violin and Viola lessons will soon be available at Great Western Community Centre.

Whether you're a beginner or looking to refine your skills, this is a fantastic opportunity to learn and enjoy music in a welcoming environment.

To find out more or express your interest in these lessons for all ages and levels contact yendy at yendydeabreu@gmail.com

Stay tuned for more details and feel free to share with anyone who might be interested!

FLASHDANCE

IGNITE YOUR RHYTHM



Great Western Community Centre (formerly known as Holburn West Church)

Classes from 2 years upwards
Fridays 9.45-10.45am

NEW Classes from P1 upwards
Mondays 4.00-6.00pm

Ballet - Tap - Acrobatic Arts

Email: admin@flashdanceschool.co.uk
07944 347672

Website: www.flashdanceschool.co.uk

Additional classes starting soon....

We are delighted that one of our existing groups, Flashdance who currently have classes here at Great Western Community Centre on Mondays and Fridays will soon be expanding their range of classes with 2 new classes starting on a Thursday afternoon.

Keep a look out for these brand new sessions starting soon.

For more information email:
admin@flashdanceschool.co.uk
call 07944347672 or
visit: www.flashdanceschool.co.uk for more information

Support Great Western Community Centre

Great Western Community Centre is at the heart of our community, providing a space for activities, events and support for local people. We rely on your generosity to help cover our running costs, maintain and improve our building and continue offering vital services to those who need them most.

We've recently invested in a contactless donation device, making it easier than ever to support us. You can now donate from just £3 with a simple tap!

Every contribution - big or small - helps us:

- Keep the centre open and running smoothly
- Maintain & Improve our facilities
- Provide essential support & activities for the community
- Host events & initiatives that bring people together

If you value the role our centre plays in the community, please consider making a donation. Your support makes a real difference.



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Lunar New Year Celebration @ Great Western Community Centre

What a truly special celebration we had at our community centre, ringing in the Lunar New Year! It was heartwarming to see people from all walks of life come together- sharing traditions, laughter and new beginnings.

Well done to all the organisers including our own Trustee Leila Turner-Smith for all their efforts in what was an unforgettable event and thank you to you all for attending and supporting the performers who put on an amazing show for us.

Here's to another year of coming together, lifting each other up and celebrating the beauty of our diverse community.



Coming soon to Great Western Community Centre

As part of the Aberdeen Jazz festival, we are delighted to be the venue for Jazz The Day!

We cannot wait to welcome so many amazing musicians to our centre on Sunday 16th March.

All of the acts and a full afternoon of family-friendly jazz for only £12 (£8 for students and under 5s go free)

To see the full line up and to book your tickets go to:

<https://bit.ly/430sKzX>

We'd love to see you there!



*Come and join us
for a tea dance
on 23rd March
12.30 - 3.30pm*

*Great Western
Community Centre*

Afternoon TEA

Ballroom Barney - Afternoon Tea Dance

We are delighted to once again be the venue for one of Ballroom Barney's Afternoon Tea Dances.

The next Tea Dance takes place on Sunday 23rd March at 12.30pm.

If you are interested in this, or indeed any of the lessons Barney runs, please contact Barney at ballroombarney@gmail.com or on 07342 789965



A Big Thank You to Dana Petroleum!

We are very grateful to Dana Petroleum for their generous donation of 4 office chairs to our community centre. This kind support makes a real difference in helping us create a comfortable and functional space for our team and community.

A special thanks to Morven Mackenzie & Susan Crighton from All Life Chances for facilitating this donation- we truly appreciate your help!

As a new community centre, donations like this allow us to focus our limited funds on expanding our programme of activities and maintaining our historic building for the benefit of all.

Every bit of support counts and we are so thankful for this contribution!



Preserving our Community's Heritage

Operating a community centre in a former church building is an incredible opportunity- it allows us to bring people together in a space rich with history and meaning. However with that privilege comes the ongoing responsibility of maintaining and sustaining the building for future generations.

We want to thank our users for their patience as we carry out essential maintenance to keep the space safe, welcoming and functional. Your support means everything.

If you'd like to help ensure the future of this wonderful community asset, please get in touch- we'd love to hear from you.



Discover, Exchange & Enjoy at Great Western Community Centre

Looking for a good read? What to give a book a new home? Our community library is open for you!

How it works:

- Borrow a book for free
- Exchange books with others
- Keep a book for a small donation.

Visit us at Great Western Community Centre, 9 Ashley Park Drive, Aberdeen and be part of a community that loves books as much as you do!



Supporting Great Western Community Centre

At Great Western Community Centre, we thrive because of our wonderful community. Whether you're engaging online, attending our activities, volunteering your time, or making a financial contribution, every bit of support makes a difference. Here's how you can help:

Stay Connected & Spread the Word

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, X, Threads, Bluesky and LinkedIn to stay updated. Like, share and comment on our posts - your engagement helps us reach more people who might benefit from our services or want to get involved.

Join our activities

We run a variety of classes, groups and events designed to bring people together, support well-being and build skills. By attending, you're not only benefiting yourself but also strengthening our community.

Volunteer Your Time

Looking to make a real difference?

Volunteering at the centre is a fantastic way to give back. Whether you can spare a few hours or commit to something more regular, your time is invaluable to us.

Make a financial contribution

Every donation, big or small helps us continue our work. If you're able, consider making a donation to support our ongoing projects.

No matter how you choose to support us we're grateful to have you as part of our community. Together we can continue making Great Western Community Centre a welcoming space for everyone.

Thank you for being part of our journey

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<https://www.threads.net/@greatwesterncc>

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<https://www.linkedin.com/company/great-western-community-centre>

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