

Civic Duty Spotlight

Introduction:

The Civic Duty Spotlight is designed to streamline communication within our community by providing essential updates and resources. It shares important information, signposts key services, and offers reminders about civic responsibilities across our schools. Additionally, the spotlight highlights available offers like training programmes, community employment opportunities and initiatives, making it easier for everyone to stay informed and engaged.

Community Resources Directory

We have a community resources directory which may be of assistance to a variety of stakeholders.

Go to the civic duty webpage accessible from your school's website :

[Directory](#)

Collaboration:

Collaboration through partnerships is essential for driving improvements, especially in the context of sustainability. By working together with local businesses, organisations, and other educational institutions, we can enrich the opportunities available to our students and broaden their horizons, all while building a sustainable future for our community. We have collaborated with many organisations across the Trust.

We have developed key connections with barnados, Family action and family Hubs to explore new pathways to support our communities.

Community employment Opportunity

As part of PACT's Civic Duty framework to improve social mobility, we are proud to partner with BMet to promote employment and training opportunities. Together, we aim to equip individuals with the skills, resources, and support they need to unlock their potential and advance their careers. Through this collaboration, we are empowering our community to access BMet's top-tier education and training, enabling personal growth and meaningful employment.

Click the link below to explore the news section to get the latest offers:

[Bmet Training and employment](#)



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Highlights:

There have been numerous recent highlights across the Trust. We have successfully implemented free swimming lessons in collaboration with Aspire, bringing an onsite swimming pool to our schools. Active lifestyles are being promoted through various initiatives, including Women's Boxing Club, Chance 2 Shine - Warwickshire Cricket Foundation, and Gymnastics Positive PE, which have been based at different locations throughout the academic year, offering more sporting opportunities beyond the PE curriculum.

Additionally, we have facilitated more trips funded by external collaborations, allowing children to attend Preston Montford Residential, Wye Valley YHA Residential, INTOFILM Cinema, Slimbridge Day Trip, among others. These trips provide new opportunities and enhance our enrichment offerings.

Parent partnership groups, known as "Friends of...", have been embedded across the Trust to empower stakeholders to actively improve outcomes for the community. We have actively participated in local community conferences focusing on community safety, health inequalities, ward safety meetings, and SEND surveys to gather feedback and promote community consultations regarding co-production.

Our civic duty is reflected in our collaboration with external steering groups to increase community offerings, including partnerships with Hodge Hill, Handsworth, Ladywood, SEND Local Authority, and Perry Barr Family Hubs.

Highfield J & I School have become a referral partner for "The Children's Store House Charity," and Prince Albert Primary is now partnered with the Star Foundation. We have also opened 3 Community Hubs across the Trust for outreach partnership work. Partnerships with faith organizations and local businesses have also begun to develop a deeper sense of community.

This commitment to civic duty is an essential part of our Trust's vision and strategy, ensuring we build a resilient, interconnected community that thrives on shared values and collective strength.



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Civic Leadership:

Civic Leadership Council Project – A Legacy of Youth-Led Change

This academic year, over 70 students from across the Trust stepped forward not just to take part—but to lead. Through the Civic Leadership Council Project, they championed change for the city of Birmingham, boldly calling for greater accountability and stronger support to improve the services and spaces that shape their lives.

Reflecting on the journey, it is clear this initiative has sparked more than leadership development — it has ignited a movement grounded in civic pride, community activism and real impact.

What began as a project has grown into a powerful platform for change, driven by the voices of our young people.

At the heart of this movement are our student ambassadors — courageous, articulate, and unwavering in their belief that young people have the power to shape the future. Through school forums, council chambers, and community consultations, they have risen as leaders of today, demonstrating maturity, empathy, and influence well beyond their years. The project has deepened our commitment to the Civic Duty Framework, empowering young leaders to engage with issues that matter — from youth service funding and accessible sport, to community safety, rubbish reduction, and the broader environmental impact on their neighbourhoods. These young voices have not only joined the conversation — they have helped steer it.

We are especially grateful to Councillor Waseem for championing youth representation and working alongside our ambassadors to bridge the gap between local governance and lived experience.

Our thanks also go to the Youth Sport Trust for highlighting the role of sport as a catalyst for belonging, wellbeing, and community unity as well as providing vital resources.

Together, we've built more than a leadership programme — we've created a model of civic engagement that centres young people as agents of transformation.

The Civic Leadership Council stands as a lasting commitment: that every child and young person should be seen, heard, and empowered to lead with confidence, compassion and conviction.



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Uniting: Our Civic Duty

Prince Albert Community Trust (PACT) is committed to developing and maintaining meaningful connections between our schools and the wider community. Through a range of initiatives, we aim to empower young people, support families, and contribute positively to the local area.

Key Initiatives:

Community Allotments Development

We are developing community allotments across some of our school sites to promote sustainability, healthy living, and intergenerational collaboration. These spaces will serve as hubs for pupils, families, and local residents to grow produce, serve as a therapeutic environment and build community spirit.

Parent Partnership Award

Prince Albert Primary School has been working tirelessly to increase and further develop its close working relationship with stakeholders by working towards the Parent Partnership Award. They have been recognised for their commitment to engaging parents as partners in their children's education and community development. This initiative strengthens home-school relationships and ensures that families are actively involved in school life.

Personal Wellbeing Accreditations – Prince Albert High School

At Prince Albert High School, students are participating in personal wellbeing accreditation program in partnership with safer Journey CIC. The initiative supports mental health, resilience, and self-awareness, equipping young people with the tools to thrive both in and out of school.

Community Hubs:

Opening three Community Hubs across the Trust has significantly strengthened collaboration with a range of services, including healthcare, education, social care, and local voluntary organisations. These hubs have become vital spaces for multi-agency working, allowing professionals to co-locate, share expertise, and provide targeted support more effectively. As trusted, accessible environments rooted in our school communities, they have enhanced engagement with families and the wider community, offering tailored advice, guidance, and practical support. This joined-up approach has not only improved service delivery but also empowered local residents, fostering a greater sense of trust, belonging, and collective responsibility.



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Uniting Our Civic Duty - Community Iftars

This year, we proudly hosted six Community Iftars across Prince Albert Community Trust schools, bringing together over 600 people to celebrate Ramadan and strengthen community ties. These vibrant events fostered unity, belonging, and connection across our diverse communities. By partnering with local businesses, mosques, and organisations—including Masjid Al Falaah, West Midlands Police, and local councillors—we deepened relationships and showcased the power of collaboration.

These Iftars are a testament to our civic duty and commitment to community engagement, providing a warm and welcoming platform for developing meaningful connections and mutual understanding. Together, we are building a resilient, interconnected community that thrives on shared values and collective strength. A huge thank you to everyone involved in supporting the community Iftars, especially our local sponsors Goldens Supermarket, Amsons, MKB Catering, HRA banqueting Suite and everyone who donated time, money and goods to make these a great success. .



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Place Making



The place-making project in collaboration with the Youth Sport Trust has become a deep-rooted vehicle for challenging inequalities and reimagining education as a force for civic transformation. Through this partnership, we have not only created inclusive spaces for children and young people but also elevated critical conversations around race, representation, and access. Presenting to the Youth Sport Trust Board meeting and speaking at the annual Conference on Race Representation in Education provided a platform to amplify lived experiences and highlight the urgent need for systemic change.

These opportunities demonstrated the power of authentic voice and the importance of centring equity in all we do.

One of the most tangible outcomes has been the opening of our schools for free girls' football sessions, breaking down gender and cultural barriers and redefining what inclusion looks like in practice. These actions are not tokenistic—they are intentional, sustained, and grounded in co-production. We believe that solutions must be designed with communities, not for them. The collaboration with YST has reinforced this ethos, embedding co-production as the heart of our place-making strategy. By listening deeply, creating together, and championing the voices often left unheard, we are not just responding to inequality—we are reshaping the system that sustains it.



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Eco sustainability and Clean Air Justice

The Eco-Sustainability and Clean Air Day launch at Heathfield Primary was a huge success, serving as both a celebration and a powerful reminder of the urgent need to tackle air pollution and protect our environment for future generations. With the Lord Mayor in attendance, the event brought together children, families, local organisations, and community leaders in a shared commitment to cleaner, greener living. The day was filled with vibrant, purposeful activities—including cycling sessions delivered by The Active Wellbeing Society (TAWs), an engaging Art Bike experience, hands-on workshops for parents, and the unveiling of a stunning mural co-highlight the importance of clean air.

This initiative not only raised awareness but also inspired practical action, encouraging families to consider more sustainable travel choices and environmental practices. It reinforced that eco-sustainability is not just a school project—it's a community-wide responsibility, and events like these make it clear that change is both possible and already underway.



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Community Offers

Access to community offers is all about providing opportunities for everyone to get involved, stay active, and feel connected. From free sports sessions to workshops, events, and support programs, these initiatives are designed to bring people together, promote well-being, and create a stronger sense of belonging. Whether you're looking to try something new, meet others, or access helpful resources, community offers are here to make a positive impact and ensure everyone has the chance to participate.

[The Active Wellbeing Society](#)

[Birmingham settlement What's On](#)

[Birmingham Parent Carer Forum](#)

[Community Employment Courses](#)

[Community Cafes Big Feed Project](#)

[From Birmingham with love](#)

[Family Action](#)

[Food Justice Network](#)

[Family Hubs](#)

[Legacy West Midlands](#)

[Lozell's Methodist Church and Community Centre](#)

[Witton Lodge](#)

[Umbrella](#)

[Wonderland immersive : Open Theatre](#)

[Be a Councillor](#)

[Your Opportunity \(18 to 24 year olds\) - Family Fund](#)

[If you are passionate about your local community this is a great opportunity.](#)

[Councillors make a huge difference to the quality of life of local people and how local issues are dealt with.](#)

[We need people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect the communities they serve to put themselves forward for election](#)

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Join us for our
9th Annual Eid Mela

FREE ENTRY

EID MELA 2025
BACK & BIGGER THAN EVER!

NEW VENUE!
Prince Albert High School
Holford Drive, Perry Barr, B42 2TU

SATURDAY 19TH JULY
11AM-6PM

Stall enquiries and other details to follow

MASJID AL FALAAM
www.kmob.org.uk



FREE kids Boxercise session
St John's and St Peter's Church
Darnley Rd, Ladywood, Birmingham B16 8TF

every FRIDAY 4-5PM
Join the FREE fitness fun!

Free children boxercise sessions for ages 5-11 year olds. Enhance self confidence, have fun and make new friends

Come along and give it go or for more info, please Call Sean 07885 526066

FamilyHubs
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We want to invite you to be part of
Ladywood Family Voices

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We would like to ensure Ladywood Family voices is representative of a range of parenting scenarios and of Birmingham's diverse communities.

We are therefore welcoming families from all walks of life and backgrounds with a particular focus on co-producing the Best Start for Life offer so those who are pregnant/Partner of the expectant parent and with children up to age 2yrs, or if you have children 2-19yrs/SEND we would also like to welcome you to.

There will be 6 meetings for the year and we would like to support you to attend.

Tuesday 5th August
10:30am-12:00pm
Virtual meeting via TEAMS

To receive an invite to the meeting or if you require more information, please contact Ruth Ellis on 07718244240

Meeting Movement
10th & 24th June
8th July
09.30-11.30

Conversation Roadmap
Connect Parent Support Group

FOR PARENTS OF SEND CHILDREN
Join us

Connect with other Parents as we Learn share and support each other. As parents of SEND children we all want the best for all our children and family

Venue
Lime Tree Satellite Family hub
Community Room
Heathfield Road
Handsworth
B19 1HJ

We look forward to seeing you

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Cygnnet Autism Support Programme.

Do you live in Birmingham?
FREE online and face-to-face courses available to parents or carers looking after children and young people who have a **diagnosis of autism**, is on the **pathway to an autism diagnosis**, or is **suspected of having autism**.



What does it cover?
Session 1 – An introduction and overview of autism with parent and carer experience
Session 2 – Thinking and sensory
Session 3 - Social interaction and communication
Session 4– Understanding and supporting behaviour
Session 5 – Analysing behaviour

- Weekly sessions. Sessions last between 2.5-3 hours.
- Meet parents with similar experiences.



Please use the QR code to book onto one of our courses!



Craft & Creative activities Workshop

WITH KATERINA

EVERY **WEDNESDAY** STARTING FROM
4TH OF JUN 12 WEEKS COURSE
FROM: 9:30 – 11:10
WINDSOR OLYMPUS ACADEMY SCHOOL
PERROTT ST, BIRMINGHAM B18 4LX

**YOU WILL LEARN LOTS OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES
AND YOU WILL HAVE FUN**

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Come and join us



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Reflections and Next Steps:

Over the past two years, our Civic Duty work has achieved remarkable success, laying strong foundations for lasting change across our communities. Through deep engagement, we have collaborated with over 60 new organisations spanning education, health, policing, the voluntary sector, and local governance.

These partnerships have strengthened our ability to support families, empower young people, and respond to local needs with authenticity and impact. This success stems from a shared commitment to community-led action and a belief that schools can be powerful drivers of social growth.

As we move into the second phase, our focus sharpens on preventing poverty, advocating for skills development and environmental responsibility, and enabling equitable prospects for all.

This is not just vision or buzzwords—it's a real, measurable prospect already being realised through our Community Hubs, civic networks, and place-based strategies.

The next chapter promises to be even more impactful, as we continue to build trust, unlock opportunity, and ensure every voice is seen, heard, and felt.

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