

# COMMUNITY

OAKLANDS

Welcome to our new-style quarterly Community Newsletter, bringing you all the latest information about what's happening at Oaklands. From new launches to amazing student experiences, we are here to bring you all the current updates from Oaklands College.

## Latest Updates



### OAKLANDS COLLEGE INCREASING ACHIEVEMENT RATES

Oaklands College has achieved a remarkable rise in the latest Department for Education National Achievement Rate Tables (NARTs) for 2023–24, positioning the institution among the top further education providers in the country.

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### TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT LAUNCH

Oaklands College is excited to announce the launch of Oaklands Training & Development, a new division dedicated to equipping businesses and individuals with the skills needed for a rapidly evolving workforce.

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## A NEW DEVELOPMENT FOR ST ALBANS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO OAKLANDS COLLEGE

Oaklands College and Taylor Wimpey have partnered to bring forward the College's proposals to redevelop their St Albans campus. This is being secured through Taylor Wimpey's plans for new homes and a mixed-use development on previous College land.

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## ANIMAL CARE STUDENTS VISIT SOUTH AFRICA FOR CONSERVATION TRIP

Our Animal Care students have returned from an unforgettable trip to South Africa, where they took part in hands-on conservation work and meaningful cultural exchange in support of Gap Africa Projects.

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## OAKLANDS COLLEGE AND GOODS FOR GOOD LAUNCH OFFICIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH 24-HOURS STUDENT-LED PACKATHON

Watford-based crisis response charity, Goods for Good, has been named as Oaklands official charity partner for 2025–2026.

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## WORLD SCHOOL GAMES 2025

Oaklands College proudly hosted the World School Games, welcoming schools from

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## What's New on Campus



### CELEBRATING THE GRAND OPENING OF OUR HIGH PERFORMANCE CENTRE

To celebrate the launch, we were delighted to welcome students, staff, alumni, and members of the local community to our official opening ceremony.

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### NEW HEALTH CLINIC OPENS AT WELWYN GARDEN CITY CAMPUS

We're proud to unveil our brand-new Health Clinic at the Welwyn Garden City Campus – a cutting-edge facility designed to give our students hands-on experience in real-world healthcare settings.

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### OAKLANDS NEW INDUSTRY STANDARD NURSERY OPENS ITS DOORS TO FUTURE CHILDCARE PROFESSIONALS

We are excited to announce our brand-new, industry standard Nursery at our Welwyn Garden City campus to give students first-hand experience in Early Years Care and Education.

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## Study Here



### MAKE AN APPLICATION AND ENROL NOW

Looking to join a course at Oaklands this academic year? There's still time to secure your place on our school leaver courses. From business to creative arts, healthcare to engineering - we've got the perfect pathway for you.

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### AUTUMN ADULT AND LEISURE COURSES

Our diverse range of leisure and other adult learning courses have something for everyone, including languages, cookery, floristry, pottery, photography, drawing, printmaking and much more.

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### WELWYN GARDEN CITY CAMPUS OPEN EVENTS - 11TH OCTOBER

Our open events give you the perfect opportunity to visit our campuses to learn more about the courses we offer and meet our staff. Pre-register now ahead of your visit.



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### ST ALBANS CAMPUS OPEN EVENTS - 18TH OCTOBER

Take a look around our campus, speak to our tutors and students and learn more about life at Oaklands before you start your journey with us. Pre-register now to save time on the day, ensuring you make the most of your visit.

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### SKILLS BOOTCAMPS

We are pleased to announce that Oaklands has been awarded a £1.7 million contract to deliver Skills Bootcamps across Hertfordshire - a transformative step in our mission to equip the local workforce with the future-ready skills that employers need most. .

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## Upcoming Events

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### OAKTOBER FEST 2025

Step into the spirit of autumn at Oaktober Fest 2025! Featuring our beautiful orchard, this family-friendly festival is packed with traditional fun and seasonal delights. Book now to avoid disappointment.

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### OAKLANDS CONNECT NETWORKING EVENT FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES

A brand-new monthly employer networking event designed to bring local and regional businesses together to share ideas, spark collaboration, and explore workforce development opportunities.

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### FESTIVE FAIR 2025

Join us on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th November, from 10am to 4pm, for a seasonal shopping experience at Oaklands College, St Albans hosted by external organisers The Craft People and The Stitchin' Craft Cabin.

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## Community Noticeboard

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## **VOLUNTEER AT OAKLANDS COLLEGE**

### **PARKRUN**

Oaklands College Parkrun is on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteers to join the team on Saturday mornings. A variety of roles are available, and no prior experience is required. Click 'Read More' to find out how you can get involved.

[Read more](#)

## **OAKLANDS WOLVES COMMUNITY**

### **BASKETBALL CLUB**

Young athletes from Year 1 to Year 11 can train, grow, and compete with Oaklands Wolves' junior basketball programmes—featuring weekly Elevate sessions, skill development, and basketball camps.

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## **VOLUNTEER OR TAKE PART AT THIS YEAR'S HERTS YOUNG HOMELESS SLEEPOUT**

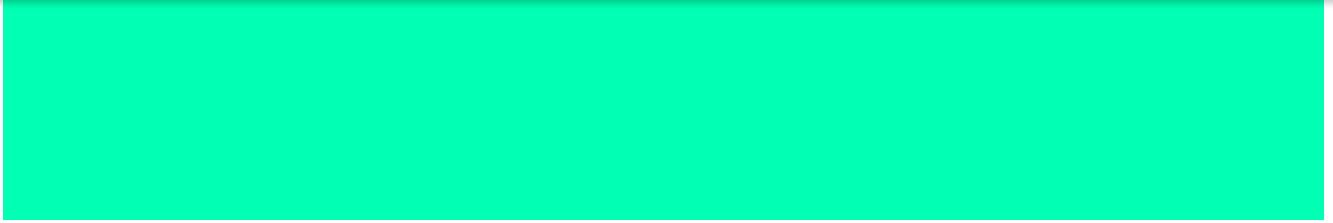
Join the St Albans Sleepout 2025 on 7 November at Oaklands College to raise funds and awareness for youth homelessness in Hertfordshire

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