



Piano Programme



English and Maths



Family Learning



Into Employment Programme

CHOICE

Coventry Adult Education Service
SPRING TERM 2026



British Sign Language & Makaton



Childcare & Early Years



Visual & Performing Arts



Digital Skills



Path 2 Apprenticeship



SPRING FORWARD INTO LEARNING – EDUCATION THAT FITS YOUR LIFE

This Spring Term, we're making it easier than ever to access local, flexible education programmes that are designed around you.

Whether you're looking to get a qualification for a job, boost your career with vocational skills, or simply keep learning for life, our courses offer something for everyone. And now, we're extending our reach by offering even more online sessions, community venues across the city, and introducing distance learning options.

We're excited to announce new delivery at Karis Community Centre in Ernesford Grange, Foleshill Community Centre in Foleshill and St. Catherines Church and Pastoral Centre in Stoke Aldermoor. These welcoming spaces offer a supportive environment where you can grow your skills, meet new people, and take the next step in your journey.

Plus, we're working in partnership with several Family Hubs for example in Willenhall, Henley, Foleshill and

Bell Green, to offer integrated services that support learning alongside family life. Whether you're a parent, carer, or simply juggling a busy schedule, our joined-up approach means you can access education and support in one place.

Come and see how Adult Education can fit into your life—wherever you are, and wherever you're going.

Visit our website or contact your local centre to find out more and enrol today coventry.gov.uk/adulted or telephone 024 7697 5200.

We look forward to welcoming you.



HOW TO ENROL ON A COMMUNITY PROGRAMME CLASS:

You can enrol NOW by:

Going online to coventry.gov.uk/adulted and searching for a course that interests you.

Do so either by:

- Clicking on the **Search for a course** link at the top of the page.
- Exploring the pages under **Essential Skills, Learn a Language, Learning for Life** and **Learning for Work** to get a better understanding of the range of courses we offer.

- Calling **024 7697 5200** where a member of the Adult Education Service will enrol you onto a class.

- Enrolling in person at **Southfields Old School Monday – Friday 10.00am-2.00pm.**

Please note, payment can be made by debit or credit card only.

To avoid disappointment, we advise you enrol as early as possible.



COURSES REQUIRING AN INTERVIEW

When you find a course on our website you are interested in joining, it may say you need to attend an appointment for an enrolment interview to join. We conduct interviews so that we can make sure the course is at an appropriate level for you and to check whether you are eligible for government funding. (If not, you will still be able to join, but there will be a fee to do so.)

IMPORTANT – when attending an enrolment interview, you must bring the following:

IDENTIFICATION:

If you are a UK National, please bring your birth certificate, driving licence or British passport.

If you are an EU citizen, please bring your passport/ID card and a share code generated within the last 90 days.

If you are currently seeking Asylum, please bring your ARC card and Aspen card (if applicable).

Otherwise, you will need to generate a sharecode for your online eVisa document to prove your residency status.

(If you have not yet applied for your eVisa, please bring your residence permit (BRP), passport with visa or whatever documentation you have that shows your residency status.)

EVIDENCE OF RELEVANT BENEFITS OR INCOME:

If your gross personal income is less than £34,194 per annum. (This is one of the criteria that allow us to claim government funding.)

YOUR NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES - SPANISH

Do you want to build your confidence? Would you like to do this through learning another language? Would you like to learn some beginner Spanish?

We have a Community Programme "Building Confidence through Spanish" course for you. This course is for complete beginners and will develop transferable skills for life and work in a safe and inclusive space. Enrol online now.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Our mainstream ESOL classes are full and we have a waiting list. Please phone 024 7697 5200 and we will let you know if we have any new enrolment sessions this year.

ESOL - English for Work

Intensive ESOL for Work classes focus on language for employment and provide wrap around support to help you to look for work.

If you are Entry 2/A2, Entry 3/B1 or Level 1/B2 level and looking for work our Coventry Language and Integration Project is for you.

Coventry Language Integration Project (CLIP)

Are you looking for work? Do you want to improve your English? Join our ESOL for Work courses!

Coventry Language Integration Project (CLIP) offers ESOL for Work courses with personalised employment support for up to three months after completing the course.

COURSE INFORMATION:

6-WEEK:
ESOL Entry 3 & Level 1

13-WEEK:
ESOL Entry 2

WHAT WILL YOU GET?

- English grammar, pronunciation, vocabulary for jobs
- Guidance on UK work & culture
- Help with job search, application writing and CVs.
- Support with housing, healthcare, education & more

Eligibility:

- ESOL Entry 2–Level 1 learners
- Legally and normally resident in the UK or asylum seekers (6+ months in UK with work permission)

HOW TO JOIN

Scan the QR code or email aesclip@coventry.gov.uk



Learn Basic Makaton with

Coventry Adult Education Service

Makaton helps people talk and understand each other

It uses signs and symbols with speech. It makes communication easier and builds confidence. Over 100,000, adults and children use Makaton every day



This Intro course is:

- hands-on and fun
- designed to fit the needs of the people taking part
- helpful for supporting those who don't use words to communicate,
- useful at work or at home



All our tutors are **fully qualified** language specialists



You will learn:

- Core vocabulary
- Frequently used signs and symbols
- Fingerspelling



Enrol now online at www.coventry.gov.uk/adult-education/course-finder



For more information visit
www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted

LIFE SKILLS

We offer a range of exciting courses to build confidence, improve health and wellbeing, develop new skills, gain qualifications and equip parents and carers to support their children's learning.

FAMILY LEARNING

Free Family Learning courses and programmes include:

Maths/English in the Primary School (adults only) – These courses help parents and carers to understand how these subjects are taught in Modern British Primary Schools. Each week you will be given fun games to take home and play with your children. There is an online pre-recorded version of this course if you cannot attend a face-to-face course.

*'The games have helped make phonics fun.
I am amazed by how much my son can do!'*

Positive Family Foundations (adults only) – A nurture-based, practical advice programme providing insight on how children aged 0 - 10 years old interact with their parent/carers and what children need to thrive. There is an online pre-recorded version of this course if you cannot attend a face-to-face course.

'It was great to listen to other parents. There were lots of ideas on the course – I found the section on Emotion Coaching really helped at home.'

'50 Things to Do Before You're Five' (adults and their children aged 0-5) – Family pre-school stay and play sessions for parents and their pre-school aged children. A range of fun, free and affordable ideas and activities inspired by the '50 Things to Do Before You're Five' app: coventry.50thingstodo.org

'We love the activities and atmosphere on this course, and the ideas which we use at home.'

Baby Massage – (parents and carers with a baby aged from 6 weeks to 6 months – pre-crawlers)
Simple massage techniques to use with your baby while in the group and at home.

*'It was lovely, relaxed and a little magical –
I felt chilled myself when it had finished.'*

INCLUSIVE LEARNING, ENGAGEMENT AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS PROGRAMME (ILEEP)

Do you have or know someone with a learning disability/difficulty?

Are you a Disability Confident employer who could offer voluntary or paid work to our learners?

We offer a range of programmes for People with Learning Disabilities/Difficulties that develop independent living skills and learning for work.



THE STUDY PROGRAMME

Are you 16-18 with or without an Educational Health Care Plan or 19-24 with an Educational Health Care Plan? Then why not join one of our Study Programmes?

You will study a range of qualifications and attend a work placement.

Qualifications include the following:

- GCSE or Functional Skills Maths
- GCSE or Functional Skills English
- ICT Functional Skills
- Customer Service
- Employability
- Health & Social Care
- Childcare

Bursary payments may be available to help with travel costs and stationary expenses, dependant on eligibility.

THE COMMUNITY AND LEISURE PROGRAMMES – courses for growth, health and pleasure

Our Community Programme offers an exciting range of courses for adults, in dance, art, crafts & textiles, to build confidence, improve health and wellbeing, develop new skills or turn creative passions into a business.

Courses are offered at a variety of progression levels in short or 10-week sessions, offered day and night, during the week and at weekends.

Would you like recognition for your artwork?

The NCFE Entry 2 Creative Craft is an intensive 10-week course where you will be working in a range of mediums in preparation for a final piece.

Once we have received your application, we will contact you to complete the enrolment process, provide advice, guidance and a small assessment.

The Leisure Programme offers competitively priced courses for pleasure. These courses are not tied to funding, no longer require as much progress and achievement tracking while still developing your skills and knowledge across a range of disciplines. Courses include: Ballroom & Latin, Modern Jazz, Line Dancing, Tap Dancing Improvers, Art – Oils and Acrylics Improvers, Art – Watercolour & Mixed Media – Intermediate, and Art – Intermediate Acrylic painting.

The Leisure Programme also includes extensive **Piano and Music Theory courses**. Offered at all levels of playing: beginner lessons, graded lessons and 1:1 lessons with opportunities to take external accredited exams.



If you would like more information on any of our courses and events, please contact: aeslifeskills@coventry.gov.uk or call us on: **024 7697 5200**.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS



MATHS, ENGLISH & DIGITAL FUNCTIONAL SKILLS COURSES

Our Maths, English, and Digital Functional Skills courses help adults build essential skills for everyday life, work, and further education, leading to nationally recognised qualifications. We offer daytime, evening, and online classes, with face-to-face enrolment and paper-based exams at our venues. Courses run 2½ hours per week over the school year. Maths covers practical skills like problem solving, fractions, percentages, and interpreting data. English focuses on reading, writing, speaking, and listening to boost confidence at home, work, and in the community. Digital Functional Skills (Entry Level 3 and Level 1) include; using devices, communicating, creating and editing documents, online transactions, and staying safe online. All learners receive initial assessments to join the level best suited to their ability.



SHORT BRUSH UP COURSES – MATHS & ENGLISH

Our Brush Up Courses in English and Maths offer a short, five-week learning opportunity designed to build confidence and strengthen essential skills in a supportive environment. The English Brush Up course focuses on spelling, punctuation, grammar, and writing clearly for different audiences, including practical skills for letters, emails, articles, and reports. The Maths Brush Up course helps you develop everyday numeracy skills—such as budgeting, shopping, and planning projects—without the pressure of formal exams. These courses run every half term until June 2026 and can also prepare you for further Functional Skills study.

FOUNDATION COURSES – MATHS, ENGLISH & DIGITAL SKILLS

The Foundation Skills Course is designed for learners returning to education who want to build confidence in Maths, English, and Digital Skills. Ideal for those with little or no prior knowledge, it uses a practical, themed approach to make learning relevant to everyday life and work. The 6-week course runs 2 days a week and offers the opportunity to work towards a stepping stone qualification in either English or Maths

DIGITAL SKILLS COURSES

We offer a range of Digital Skills courses, from Complete Beginners to Level 2 Digital Skills Qualifications, designed to support learners at every stage. For more information or to enrol, scan the QR code below or call 024 7696 5200.



HOW TO ENROL

We will be holding enrolment sessions in January, February, and March. The enrolment sessions will take place on:

Tuesday 6 January 12.30–5.30pm
Thursday 8 January 5.30–8.00pm
Friday 9 January 9.30am–2.30pm
Thursday 5 February 5.30–8.00pm
Thursday 5 March 5.30–8.00pm

TO ENROL, simply scan the code below:

After March, please contact the Job Shop on **024 7678 5740** to book your assessment appointment. Phone lines are open Monday to Wednesday and Friday from 9.30am–4.30pm, and Thursday from 10.30am–4.30pm. Alternatively, you can email **jobshop@coventry.gov.uk** to book your assessment.



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WORK SKILLS

Are you seeking training to gain employment?

Would you like to enhance your current skill set and/or qualifications to increase your opportunities of promotion or a career change?

Are you an employer that would like to enhance the skill set of individuals or a team?

Are you an employer that is struggling with recruitment or is considering taking on an apprentice?

VOCATIONAL COURSES

Whether you're just starting out, already in the sector but looking to boost your skills or if you are an employer wanting to upskill your team, our courses will help you succeed. We offer a wide range of courses at differing levels in **Administration, Early Years, Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools and Child Development**. We offer Face-to-Face delivery, Online, Blended (both) and our new Distance Learning for some courses.

For more information, advice and guidance about our courses and or to enrol, please give us a call and book a slot on one of our 'Information and Guidance Sessions' being held in **January 2026**.

PATH 2 APPRENTICESHIP

Are you aged 19 – 29 and currently not in education or employment and would like to get an apprenticeship, but don't feel quite ready, this course could be your next step! Get in touch!

APPRENTICESHIPS

Would you like the opportunity to work for an employer, earn an apprenticeship salary and gain valuable workplace skills and experience in your chosen area of work? Age is not a barrier, if you are aged over 16 years of age, this is a great way to start or progress your career.

We offer a range of apprenticeship training from Level 2 to Level 5 in a range of areas including **Customer Service, Business Administration, Early Years, Health Care Support Worker, Teaching Assistant, Team Leading plus Operational Management**.

PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT

We understand that everyone's journey is different and that the support and guidance you need differs. You may know what you want but need to enhance your skills, or alternatively you may feel 'lost' or 'stuck' and need help to uncover your strengths. We therefore have designed various short courses (**Sprint Ahead, Skills to Success & our Journey Exploration Programme**) with this in mind. Our courses are typically delivered at the Job Shop, enabling you to have the full support and guidance of the Job Coaches & Employment Engagement team.

In addition are you over the age of 19? Are you in receipt of Universal Credit? Are you linked with a Disability Engagement Officer at the DWP? If so our **Stairway to Work** programme will help put you on the right track to being work ready. This short course will give you the opportunity to enhance your pre-employment skills whilst also building on key areas such as self-esteem, self-confidence and helping you focus on your next steps.



EARLY YEARS AND TEACHING ASSISTANT INTO EMPLOYMENT COURSES

Are you looking for work? Are you over the age of 19? Unemployed and in receipt of benefit? Or working and on a low wage? Here is an ideal opportunity!

This short course will help support you in your chosen career, whilst also providing application and interview support and a guaranteed job interview with a local employer within this area.

Alternatively, are you an employer, struggling to recruit to vacancies? Trailing this fully funded route to secure staff is a tried and tested way to get keen, new staff members. Don't just take our word for it, hear it from the Headteacher at Baginton Fields Academy, *'Prior to the course starting, the team at Coventry Adult Education were keen to involve headteachers in what the content of the course should include. This was great as it meant the course could be focused on the specific needs of our settings'*.

NEXT STEPS IN THE WORKPLACE

Are you interested in moving into a team leader or management position at work, do you need to develop your skills? Are you a supportive employer that is passionate about staff development and would you like the opportunity to upskill staff into management positions?

The programme considers the needs of the business as well as meeting the needs of the individual. Delivery can be at our training centre, online, blended or at your site to enable employees the chance to access whilst still managing their day-to-day responsibilities. Continued success, and an advocate for our programmes is DHL eCom UK *'Coventry Adult Education have gone above and beyond to create a nurturing, supportive offer that always has the individual at the centre'*.

For more information on all of the above contact aesworkskills@coventry.gov.uk or call **024 7697 5200** to discuss.

FATHEMA ISLAM

Customer Service Apprentice



What does your apprenticeship involve on a day-to-day basis?

On a day-to-day basis I complete a lot of tasks throughout the day, which include: calling residents about device bank collection, emailing and replying to residents who enquire about my team (#CovConnects) and services, arranging meeting agendas for my team meetings, visiting different organisations across Coventry to support residents with any digital queries and much more!

What do you find most interesting about your apprenticeship?

I enjoy meeting new people and helping support with Digital Inclusion. My favourite thing currently is supporting the Digital Inclusion ESOL network, where I can support by giving my lived experiences on how to help and support different communities with ESOL to be digitally included. In addition to this, I love calling different organisations about their device collection from our #CovConnects device bank. I enjoy seeing how excited everyone is and how much it makes a difference in resident's lives across Coventry!

What advice would you give to a person who is thinking about applying for an apprenticeship?

Do it! I encourage everyone to apply for an apprenticeship since it is a great way to get work experience, study at the same time and you will gain a qualification at the end of the apprenticeship. You will receive first-hand work experience throughout your apprenticeship which is a great way to build confidence, leadership, independence and many more skills.

For further information on apprenticeships at Coventry City Council, please email: apprenticeships@coventry.gov.uk

OVER 18 AND ON A LOW INCOME?

We can help you access free mobile data, calls, and texts to support your learning and everyday connectivity. Learners aged 18 or over with a household income below £25,000 are eligible for a free SIM card or data voucher, with the option to keep your existing mobile number. To apply, visit us at Southfields Old School, CV1 5EJ, with your photo ID and proof of income. To find out more, call us on **024 7697 2801**.

Our team will assist you through the process and help you get connected quickly and easily, at no cost.

Save money on Community

Learning courses with Go CV+



Access discounted fees on a wide range of non-accredited Community Learning courses with Go CV+.

You can sign up for Go CV+ if you meet one or more of the below criteria

- ✓ You are in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits listed
- ✓ You are a carer registered with Carers Trust Heart of England
- ✓ You are a Foster Carer registered with Coventry City Council
- ✓ You are a Student [NUS]



Scan the QR code to see the full list of qualifying benefits



Apply now at
www.go-cv.co.uk/adult-education



Providing end-to-end employment support

Engaging with customers to provide a wide range of support to Coventry residents.

- Employability Workshops
- Lifestyle and Wellbeing Sessions
- 1-2-1 appointments with our Employment Coaches - virtually or face to face training support to develop your skills
- Back to work support
- Direct access to employer vacancies
- Money advice including debt and benefit support

Register online by scanning the QR Code



Contact details:
West Orchards Way
(Outside West Orchards Shopping Centre, next to Iceland)
CV1 1FY jobshop@coventry.gov.uk



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Coventry Adult Education Service

Website: coventry.gov.uk/adulted

Telephone: **024 7697 5200**

Email: feedback@covaded.org

www.facebook.com/covadulted

@CoventryAdultEd (X Formerly Twitter)

@CoventryAdultEducationService (YouTube)

SPRING TERM 2026 DATES:

**ENGLISH, MATHS &
DIGITAL SKILLS**
5 JAN – 27 MAR

**ESOL, COMMUNITY INTERPRETING
& LANGUAGES**
5 JAN – 27 MAR

COMMUNITY PROGRAMME
12 JAN – 27 MAR

FAMILY LEARNING
12 JAN – 27 MAR

HALF TERM
16 – 20 FEB

BE SAFE!

Anyone who is being abused, neglected, bullied, groomed, or drawn into extremism or terrorism is not safe.

Do you know what to do if you are not safe, or someone you know is not safe?

- If a child is at risk of harm or neglect, call **024 7678 8555**
- If a vulnerable adult is at risk of harm or neglect, call **024 7683 3003**
- If you think someone is being drawn into radicalisation, extremism or terrorism, tell your tutor or any member of staff in the Adult Education Service
- Talk to your tutor or any Adult Education Service staff member
- See our posters (at venues or on www.covlearn.co.uk) for who to call if a child or adult is at risk
- In an emergency, call **999**

SCHOOL STREET SCHEMES limit the amount of motor traffic in streets surrounding schools for a short time at the start and end of the school day (8.15-9.15am and 3.15-3.45pm) all year round. From September 4, **Southfields Old School** will fall within one of these areas covering East Street and South Street. Anyone driving on these roads without a valid permit or exemption will be committing an offence and may receive a fixed penalty fine which is currently set at £70.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
IN COVENTRY. WE NEED YOU!
Could you support a learner and be a partner in learning?

We need volunteers on a range of courses.
You will work alongside a learner or learners under the guidance of a tutor.

For further information please call **024 7697 5200**

