



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 02 October 2020

The Week Ahead

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Extra-Curricular Clubs	Please CLICK HERE to see our current programme
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Key Term Dates

Monday 26 – Friday 30 October	Half Term
Friday 27 November	Staff Training Day
Friday 18 December	End of Autumn Term
Monday 21 December – Friday 01 January	Christmas Holidays



Principal's Letter

Dear Parents and Carers

We are continuing to make minor adaptations to the way that school is running, so that we can comply fully with COVID-19 measures while ensuring that learning goes as smoothly as possible. It is reassuring that the number of positive virus cases in Cambridgeshire remains amongst the lowest in the UK, with 5.2 cases per 100K population for the week of 1-7 September. (UK average: 23.4)

Staff Training

Today staff have been enjoying training sessions on subjects ranging from metacognition, equality and diversity, to pupils' mental health, whilst also spending time on forward-planning in case any level of remote education is needed for pupils over the next terms.

School Uniform

Please make sure that your child is continuing to wear correct school uniform – either regular uniform or PE kit as required. A reminder, please, that skirts should be worn 'toward the knee', that branded skirts and trousers are required, and that the school uniform jumper must be worn as the next layer above the polo shirt. If providing correct uniform is a problem, please do contact your child's year team in confidence, so that a way forward can be found.

Now that the weather has turned colder and wetter, please make sure that your child is wearing a coat on their journey to school. The building is now heated, so pupils will not need to wear outdoor coats in classrooms. If your child particularly feels the cold, please make sure they have an extra unseen layer underneath their polo shirt.

Bikes and Scooters

I have received a message from a concerned motorist about pupils riding four-abreast on the Cambourne roads: please discuss the importance of safe and considerate cycling with your children, and remember that the bike sheds are not always locked. Bikes and scooters are left at the owner's risk and we strongly recommend that they are always padlocked.

We wish you all a very good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Coates

Principal

Covid-19 | Medical

Please visit our website www.cambournevc.org/COVID-19/ for further information and clarification.

Please email thecollege@cambournevc.org to report a student absent.

Please remember that it is the parents/carers' responsibility to make sure that all emergency medication for your child is in school and in date.

General Notices

CREATIVE WRITING:

Encourage your child to email Mrs Coleridge if they would like to be involved in writing, designing or editing our CamVC Student e-Magazine. All budding writers, artists, wordsmiths and opinion-leaders welcome, at any stage of their school journey!

PE DEPARTMENT:

I hope that your son/daughter is getting into the swing of returning to school. Now that students are getting used to the systems in place, I would like to take some time to remind parents and carers of the expectations of students in their PE lessons.

PE Kit

Students should be coming to school in their full PE kit. If they have PE period 1-4 then students will be getting changed back into their school uniform after the lesson and must make sure that they have their correct and full school uniform with them. This is to ensure that students do not end up sitting in sweaty, smelly PE kit for the rest of the day if they have PE before lunch. Additionally, with more PE lessons being outside regardless of the weather, if it is raining, we do not want students to be sitting in wet kit for the rest of the day. If they have PE period 5-6 they will go home in their PE kit. We hope you can support the PE department and your child with this and ensure that they are organised by arriving in their PE kit and bringing their full school uniform including school shoes, when required.

Warm Layers

We have been very fortunate with the weather but at some point, this luck may run out. Students need to be prepared to be outside for their PE lessons in the wind and/or the rain and should ensure they bring enough layers to be comfortable. Base layers can be worn underneath the CamVC PE kit as long as the top layer is always a red CamVC top (either the red polo, the hoody, the fleece or the rugby shirt).

Water Bottles

Students must ensure they bring enough water for their PE lessons and fill their bottles up before the lesson. Unfortunately, due to the one-way system and avoiding crossing bubbles, students will not be allowed access water fountains during PE lessons to refill. Some students may wish to bring two water bottles.

Jewellery, Earrings and Nails

Due to every students' health and safety, students must ensure they remove all jewellery before a PE lesson; this includes necklaces, rings, bracelets as well as fabric jewellery and bracelets. Additionally, all earrings and piercings must be removed and left in their school uniform bag during their PE lesson. Students should not be wearing long acrylic nails to school. Nails should be of a natural length; when viewed from the palm side of the hand, the nails should not extend beyond the finger tips. Students who come to PE lessons with nails of a dangerous length will not be able to participate.

TEAMS | ONENOTE:

Microsoft Teams, Teams assignments, and OneNote are becoming increasingly more central to the way we are providing and receiving work. Below are some resources to help you support your children with these services.

[Click here](#) for a guide to handing in Teams Assignments

[Click here](#) for a YouTube playlist with short tutorial videos (if you prefer, your child can access the same videos through their school account [here](#))

Leigh Bellis

Assistant Principal (Achievement) | Head of IT Strategy

General Notices (cont')

SPORTS CLUBS:

Clubs will be starting again week commencing Monday 12th October. Any pupil who wishes to attend a club should meet outside the back doors to the Orange changing rooms to register.

Please process your payment via WisePay under the Clubs & Activities module (we ask for a contribution of £10 per term for access to any of our after school clubs).

Unfortunately we will not be running any external dance classes this year.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Governors Required - Voluntary Opportunities:

Cambourne Village College is part of the CAM Academy Trust. The Trustees wish to appoint a Governor to serve on the local Governing body of Cambourne Village College. This is an interesting and challenging voluntary role. We are looking for individuals who have relevant experience in areas such as Education, Finance, Personnel, Business, Law or any other similar field.

What does the role involve?

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and direction of the school.
- Holding the Principal to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of the staff.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.
- Attending meetings and being prepared to ask questions after having read the associated paperwork, as well as visiting the school.
- Attending training and being prepared to take on a special responsibility such as, Safer Recruitment
- Training, Safeguarding or Health and Safety.
- Being involved in staff recruitment
- Reviewing policies, ensuring that they are consistent with the Trust frameworks and reflect the local context
- Taking part in special projects that may arise.

The time Commitment averages around 10 hours per term, often in the evenings.

What skills do I need?

The skills you need to become a governor include: commitment and interest in our children's future and improving educational outcomes, inquisitiveness to read paperwork, analyse and question, the ability to assimilate information, make judgements and take decisions, good inter-personal skills and the ability to work as a team.

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact the Clerk - Josephine Jenkins via jjenkins@cambournevc.org or call 01954 284 000.

FOODBANK VOUCHERS:

There are many reasons why families might from time to time need some help and support:

- Loss of Job
- Homelessness
- Change of family circumstances
- Struggling financially



We can provide foodbank vouchers to the families of our pupils who need help with food. This would apply to those families, for example, on a very low income, in a crisis or those who have been financially affected by Coronavirus. If you feel you are in need of food vouchers, please contact Katie Reynolds, via the college reception or email kreynolds@cambournevc.org in the strictest of confidence.

Our local Foodbank is open on Thursday's 10am – 12pm and is located at The Old Blue School (just behind the church, opposite Jeavons Wood Primary School).

If you would like to donate there is a collection point at the Co-Op in Lower Cambourne.

Yr7 Information Evening

Dear Parents and Carers

It is very clear to us that the relationship between school staff and parents and carers is tremendously important. All of us are hugely invested in your child's time at Cambourne Village College being positive and successful, and we will want to work together over the coming years to bring this about.

Usually at this stage of Year 7, therefore, we would invite you into school for an Information Evening, during which we would share with you some key information, and suggest ways that you can support your child's learning. Instead, we have prepared a series of Loom videos, where you can watch and hear the teacher delivering the same PowerPoint presentation they would usually have done. Each is available on a separate link below. You are able to speed up the video if you like; together they will take about 40 minutes (at the standard speed).

We hope you find this information helpful, and look forward to welcoming you into school when it is possible to do so.

Dan Went, Head of Year. General overview, routines and pastoral set-up:

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Leigh Bellis, Head of IT strategy. Online platforms:

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Hannah Curtis, Head of PE:

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Kerry Urtone, Head of English:

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Mike Balding, Head of Maths:

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Richard Beaumont, Head of Science:

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Susanne Mallett, Assistant Principal. CAT tests:

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Best wishes,

Dan Went
Head of Year 7

Emily Gildea
Deputy Principal



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AND SKIRT SIZES AVAILABLE TO ORDER.**

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Order ALL your Cambourne Village College uniform on line at www.totalclothingshop.co.uk/camvc

To help you order your trousers and skirts please see the sizes below. Polo shirts and sweatshirts are also available on our web shop on the link above.



Girls Pleated Skirt

Sizes Available:

8/9 Years, 9/10 Years, 11/12 Years

22W 18L, 22W 20L, 24W 18L, 24W 20L, 24W 22L, 26W 20L, 26W 22L, 28W 20L, 28W 22L, 30W 20L, 30W 22L, 32W 20L, 34W 20L, 36W 20L



Girls Straight Skirt

Sizes Available:

20W 18L, 22W 18L, 22W 20L, 24W 20L, 24W 22L, 26W 20L, 26W 22L, 28W 20L, 28W 22L, 30W 20L, 30W 22L, 32W 20L, 32W 22L, 34W 20L, 34W 22L, 36W 20L



Girls Trimley Trousers

Sizes Available:

22W 29L, 22W 31L, 24W 29L, 24W 31L, 26W 29L, 26W 31L, 28W 31L, 30W 31L, 32W 31L, 34W 31L, 36W 31L,



Girls Junior Kirby Trousers

Sizes Available:

7/8, 9/10, 11/12, 13



Boys Slimfit Slimbridge trousers

Sizes Available:

26W 28L, 27W 27L, 27W 29L, 27W 32L, 28W 30L, 28W 32L, 30W 20L, 30W 32L, 30W 34L, 32W 30L, 32W 32L, 32W 34L, 34W 32L, 36W 32L, 38W 32L, 38W 34L

Music Clubs starting again...

Even in middle of lockdown, it was great that so many CamVC pupils were able to take part in the End of Term Virtual Concert and production of *Rapunzel: A Life in Lockdown!*

Now we are back at school, we are keen to run music clubs, but for the moment they are going to run within year group bubbles. This initially means that we aren't able to offer the full variety of clubs, but we are hoping to add to the list soon!

From Monday 5th – Friday 9th October we will be offering:

Monday 3-4pm:

Year 10 Jazz Band (*open to all year 10 instrumentalists*)

Email bmulholland@cambournevc.org to sign up.

Tuesday 3-4pm:

Year 11 Jazz Band (*open to all year 11 instrumentalists*)

Email bmulholland@cambournevc.org to sign up.

Wednesday 3-4pm:

Year 7 – mini-Christmas production of *The Fir Tree* (*open to all year 7 singers*)

Email gpage@cambournevc.org to sign up.

Thursday 3-4pm:

Year 8 – mini-Christmas production of *Babushka* (*open to all year 8 singers*)

Email gpage@cambournevc.org to sign up.

Friday 3-4pm:

Year 9 – mini-Christmas production of *Father Frost* (*open to all year 9 singers*)

Email gpage@cambournevc.org to sign up.

We don't yet know whether December performances will be in-person, or virtual, but we want to start rehearsing as soon as possible.

Places in each group will be limited to 15 pupils per session, so you will need to sign up to take part by emailing Mr Page for Years 7, 8 & 9 (gpage@cambournevc.org), and emailing Mr Mulholland (bmulholland@cambournevc.org) for Years 10 & 11.

If more than 15 pupils are interested in attending each activity, we may have to operate a two-week rotation to accommodate everyone.

As places are limited, we ask if your child signs up, that they commit to coming to all rehearsals (unless they are not in school).

All clubs will take place outside, or in the larger Music Room, and be appropriately distanced.

Many thanks,

Geoff Page
Head of Music

Trips | DofE | Extra-Curricular Activities

Duke of Edinburgh | Bronze Award | Year 11s

Remember to submit your Skill, Physical and Volunteering assessors reports for approval by Mrs Noble. Please refer to the information sent via School Post by Mrs Noble with regards to moving on to the Silver Award and the Certificate of Achievement 2020.

Duke of Edinburgh | Bronze Award | Year 10s

Please make sure your child has now set-up their eDofE account and submitted their programme planners (Volunteering, Physical and Skill).

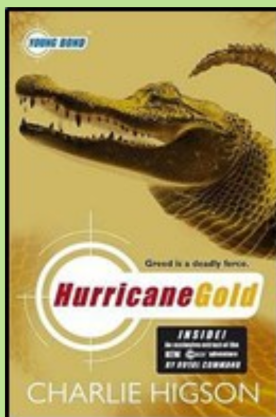
If you have any questions with regards to the completion of these sections due to the pandemic, please email Mrs Noble at cam-dofe@cambournevc.org. *Further information about the expedition section will be sent in due course. Please bear with us whilst we follow government and DofE guidelines on how best to proceed.*

Duke of Edinburgh | Bronze Award Launch | Year 8s and Year 9s

Further information about the launch of our DofE Bronze Award to our current year 8s and year 9s this year (following a new model recently adopted by the College) will be sent in due course.

Library Recommendations

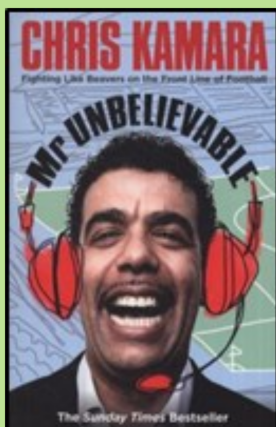
Hurricane Gold – 4 by Charles Higson



As the sun blazes over the Caribbean island of Lagrimas Negras, bloodthirsty eyes are watching and waiting. It's a place where criminals come to hide, with blood on their hands and escape on their minds. Meanwhile, on the Mexican mainland, in the sleepy town of Tres Hermanas, ex-flying ace Jack Stone leaves his son and spoilt daughter in the safekeeping of James Bond. But a hurricane is coming, a gang of thieves is attacking, and soon the trio are on the run in a deadly jungle chase. It will lead them to the island of Lagrimas Negras, a hornet's nest of deadly villains... and a terrifying walk down the Avenue of the Dead, a maze of Mayan horrors created to kill. Danger is guaranteed. Survival is not.



Mr Unbelievable!: Fighting Like Beavers on the Front Line of Football by Chris Kamara



Over the past decade, football results programme Soccer Saturday has become a television phenomenon. At the heart of this success is free-wheeling pundit and roving reporter extraordinaire, Chris "Kammy" Kamara, the former footballer-turned-manager-turned-cult hero who has astounded and dumbfounded a legion of armchair fans with his crackpot catchphrases, hyperactive reporting style and Lionel Richie haircut. Mr Unbelievable is his rags to riches tale. On hanging up his boots, he joined the Sky football revolution as roving reporter on Soccer Saturday and Goal On Sunday's eagle-eyed analyst, amassing a raft of catchphrases along the way. Mr Unbelievable is a hugely entertaining, moving, shocking and laugh out loud funny story of a genuine cult hero.

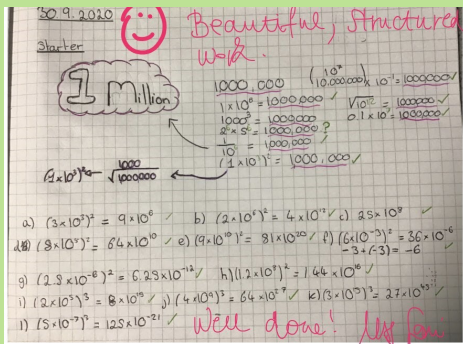


Students' IT Support

If your child needs a password reset, for example to their email, Show My Homework or any of the platforms we use at the College, or if they have any issues with their iPads, please email cam-support@cambournevc.org. We will aim to respond to any enquiry within 24 hours.

Social

Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter for regular updates and notices



This week's social highlight:

02/10/2020

Mrs Somi would love to share this "beautiful and structured work on Standard Form from a Yr10 student. I'm very proud of the student!" #superstar

Communication with the School

In addition to this weekly bulletin, there are a variety of ways in which we will contact you, including by telephone, by letter, by email, in our newsletters and via our website. There are several ways in which you can contact us, and these include:



By email to thecollege@cambournevc.org



By calling Reception for all general enquiries on 01954 284 000



By writing to Cambourne Village College, Sheepfold Lane, Cambourne CB23 6FR



Via the 'contact us' page of our school website www.cambournevc.org

We will aim to respond to any enquiry within 48 hours.