



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 21 May 2021

The Week Ahead

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Key Dates

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| Thursday 27 May | Afternoon School Closure (<i>pupils leaving at 12.40pm</i>) |
| Friday 28 May | Last day of half term |
| Monday 31 May—Friday 04 June | Half Term holiday |
| Monday 07 June | All Pupils back to School |



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

Covid Testing

Thank you so much to all the families who have registered their Covid test results this week – for a fantastic 93% of all students. Please do continue with this in order to keep school functioning as safely as possible.

Year 11

Next Friday we will celebrate their last day at school with Year 11, after their intensive programme of assessment. I'm sorry that we can't invite parents to a Leavers' Assembly as we would normally do; however, Mr Patrick and his team have been working hard to create a memorable event for them. All Year 11 students will need to be available for the week after half term to complete any assessments and administration outstanding, and a full programme of on-line work will be available for them to pursue at home for the rest of June.

Public Consultations

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the last two Consultations published on our website: one to open a Sixth Form Centre on site, and the other to increase the size of the school buildings. We are now consulting on the third part of these plans and information is available on the home page of our website which explains the proposal to expand 11 – 16 student capacity at Cambourne Village College from September 2023. The proposal can be viewed on [this link](#) and your comments are warmly invited.

Early Closure Thursday 27 May

Thank you for confirming whether your child needs supervision / a school meal on **Thursday 27th when we are closing school early** for moderation of Year 11 assessments. If your child receives Free School Meals, they will be able to spend their usual allowance on food at break time.

Please remember that all children in Years 7-10 will have a home learning task to do during the afternoon, set on SMHW and to be submitted on Teams.

In memory of Dilni

Our colleagues at Monkfield Park Primary School have asked us to share this message with you:

Many of the families at Cambourne Village College will know of Dilni, who sadly passed away last year whilst in Year 6 at Monkfield Park Primary School. A fundraising effort has been launched for a reflection garden for all the Children at Monkfield Park, as a quiet space away from the busy nature of the playground that will also act as a lasting tribute to Dilni.

If you would like to donate towards the development of a reflection garden please see here for more information: <https://www.rocketfund.org/reflection-garden-monkfield>

Wishing you all a very good - and hopefully less blustery – weekend!

Claire Coates



Training
completed

On Saturday 15 May, 60 of our year 10 students completed their DofE Training Day, an event we were not sure would be able to go ahead this year, but delighted it did!

10 groups of students started at the College at 9am and brilliantly navigated their mapped route around the Cambourne area (Knapwell-Caxton-Cambourne) carrying their full expedition rucksack, before returning to the College some 2-3 hours later for the second part of their practical training: pitching up their tent and cooking their lunch using Trangias. The students (and 17 staff volunteers) all did this in good spirit despite the rain, wind and cold.

They are now looking forward to completing their Bronze Award with their final expedition taking place in September 2021! Many thanks to all the staff and volunteers who supported this.





EVERY FIVE MINUTES IN THE UK SOMEONE IS RAPED.

SUPPORT
SEXUAL ASSAULT
SURVIVORS



THE SURVIVORS TRUST ARE A CHARITY THAT SUPPORT AND EMPOWER SURVIVORS OF RAPE, SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE, INCLUDING WOMEN, MEN AND NON-BINARY PEOPLE.

HELP US TO RAISE MONEY FOR THEM SO THEY CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT VICTIMS AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE!

ON THE 16TH OF JUNE, WE ARE DOING A SPONSORED MARATHON WALK TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE SURVIVORS TRUST AND YOU CAN HELP: CLICK THE LINK AND DONATE, EVEN £1 WILL BE APPRECIATED.

YOUR VOICE HAS POWER.

BELIEVE SURVIVORS. END VICTIM BLAMING. ASK FOR CONSENT. RESPECT BOUNDARIES.

WWW.NSVRC.ORG/SAAM #SAAM NSVRC Sexual Assault Survivors' Movement



ParentPay
COUNT ON US

Our names are Sophie, Stephanie and Vidisha and we are 3 students in Year 11. We are doing a marathon walk on the 16th June for the Survivors Trust - they are a charity that support victims of sexual assault and empower survivors of rape.

We want to support them by doing a sponsored marathon walk so they can continue to help victims of sexual abuse and educate people like all of us and you can help!

Any donations made are very much appreciated. **Please click the ParentPay link above.** Many Thanks! Sophie, Stephanie and Vidisha

POST 16: NEXT STEPS

Post 16 Y11 Induction/Welcome days

Please find below dates of College and Sixth Form induction/welcome days for students who have accepted offers.

College/Sixth Forms will contact individual students with more detailed information.

If the College/Sixth Form at which an offer is held is not listed below, dates will be communicated with students directly by the College/Sixth.

College/Sixth Form	YR 11 Induction / Welcome Days
Comberton	Tuesday 29 June Wednesday 20 June
CRC	Year 11 students will be invited to attend a 3-day welcome to their course in the week commencing 28 June.
Bishop Laney	Tuesday 06 July & Wednesday 07 July
Hills Road	Thursday 15 & Friday 16 July
Long Road	Wednesday 23, Thursday 24 and Friday 25 June
Oakes	Monday 21 June – Parents Tuesday 22 June – Students

Cambridge Regional College – In Person Open Day, 24th June 4-7pm

Cambridge Regional College is planning an *in person* Open Day on the 24th June, and booking is now open. CRC will be offering small tours of the departments.

Attendance at this in-person Open Day will be useful for those year 11 students who are planning to enrol at CRC but haven't had the chance to visit CRC prior to applying.

June Open Day Tours will be running Thursday 24th June between 4pm and 7pm and last 30 minutes each. During the tours you will be shown around the department's facilities by CRC tutors and will be given the opportunity to ask any questions you might have.



PRE-BOOK YOUR TICKETS:
www.CAMRE.ac.uk/open-days

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education are looking for tutors for their evening classes and day schools for the 2021/22 programme.

We are looking for any subject to enhance our current programme but would specifically like to hear from anybody who can offer cookery courses, Spanish language at intermediate level, IT and book-keeping. Our classes take place at Cambourne, Comberton and Melbourn Village Colleges.

Please contact Mandy Draper by email on commed@catrust.co.uk with details of the skill(s) you are able to offer.



Join us for a series of *free* public lectures.
The lectures are **open to all** and will be hosted via Microsoft Teams.

FREE LECTURE PROGRAMME

Our next free online public lecture is on Wednesday 26th May, 4-5pm. Join us when Dr. Philip Horky (Associate Professor of Ancient Philosophy, Durham University) presents his lecture:

Pythagoras: between Science and Religion

Join via Microsoft Teams: <https://bit.ly/3mpw2Wc>

Follow us on Twitter @Education__All for updates.

For more information contact:
jangell@cambournevc.org &
lgassner@cambournevc.org



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SCAN ME



| SPORTS CLUB

PE After School Clubs

Our pupils thoroughly enjoy these opportunities; however to continue to provide these, we require funding. Staff volunteer their time and expertise to run, coach and organise these additional sporting opportunities; however, money raised goes towards maintaining quality equipment, providing buses for travel to fixtures and paying external qualified coaches to lead sessions. As such, we are asking any student who is attending extra-curricular clubs to make a £10 voluntary donation each term towards these running costs. This can be paid on ParentPay.

This charge does not apply to pupils who have free school meals.

Many thanks for your continued support.



Schools'
Football
WEEK

24th - 30th
May 2021



CAMBOURNE
VILLAGE COLLEGE



SCAN ME

[Click this link or scan
the QR code to sign up](#)



CAMBOURNE
VILLAGE COLLEGE

How to get involved

3-4pm after school on the Astro. Meet at the Orange changing rooms.

Year 9 - Monday 24th May

Year 8 - Tuesday 25th May

Year 7 - Wednesday 26th May

Deadline to sign up is Wednesday 19th May.

Sign up to play and the PE department will select your teams.

#SchoolsFootballWeek

Schools' Football Week is an ESFA initiative designed not only to highlight the huge scale of Schools' Football in England, but also as an opportunity for schools, teams, and clubs from across the country to showcase the talent of their pupils, dedication of their teachers and coaches and the benefits that playing schools' football brings to their school or association.

Cambourne Village College will be running Year 7, 8 and 9 football tournaments commencing week beginning 24th May.



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

May half-term

Athletics camps

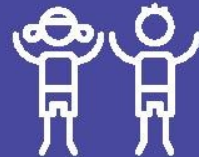
Fun and fitness for children during the school holidays



Tuesday
1 June
10am to 3.30pm



Wiberforce Road
Athletics Track
CB3 9AD



For children in
Year 3 to Year 9
of all abilities



£25 per child per day
£21 per child per day
each for families, or children
attending multiple days
(netball and athletics)

- ✓ All coaches are suitably checked and qualified.
- ✓ Appropriate footwear and clothing for outdoors is essential.
- ✓ Snacks and lunch and plenty to drink should be brought.



In a Covid-safe setting, children can develop skills and put them into practice

Book now for a place on our May athletics camps!

For more information:

✉ holiday.camps@scambs.gov.uk

☎ 01954 713070

To book:

👉 www.scambs.gov.uk/sportscamps





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Cambridgeshire
District Council

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College Sports
Centre, CB24 9LX



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The PE dept are desperately seeking old PE kit, astros and trainers that the Year 11s (or any other student) does no longer require/use, and would be very grateful for your donations.

Also, if you have any CamVC PE kit you would be happy to donate please send it into school marked for the PE department so that we can full wash it and then share this with students who require it. Thank you!



We are now running two Year 7 Music Clubs:

Wednesday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): **Year 7 Band / Orchestra** – for ALL instrumentalists!

Whatever you instrument you play, you'd be welcome to come along, and join this band, and play with other Year 7 musicians.

Thursday 3 – 4pm (Main Hall): **Music Theatre**

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Joseph and His Techni-coloured Dreamcoat"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Andrew Lloyd-Webber show!

And two Year 8 Music Clubs:

Thursday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): **Year 8 Band / Orchestra** – for ALL instrumentalists!

Whatever you instrument you play, you'd be welcome to come along, and join this band, and play with other Year 8 musicians.

Wednesday 3 – 4pm (Main Hall): **Music Theatre**

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Beauty and the Beast"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Disney show!

And one Year 9 Music club:

Friday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): **Music Theatre**

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Into the Woods"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Stephen Sondheim show!

Email me for more information (gpage@cambournevc.org) or encourage children in Years 7 – 9 to turn up at the rehearsal ready to play and sing!

Geoff Page (Head of Music)

Online Safety Tips

KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE

Your child/children may be online more than usual at the moment. Please see below some links to helpful ideas and materials around keeping children safe online:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/home-learning-hub/>



Staying Safe



Combined Minds

COMBINED MINDS APP

Combined Minds is an app for parents and carers developed for teenage mental health charity Stem4 by Clinical Psychologists. The app aims to help families and friends support young people with their mental health.

Combined Minds use a 'strength based approach' which focuses on the positive attributes of the person and builds on resourcefulness and resilience. The app helps families to find ways to provide the right environment to help individuals they support affect their own change.

The app includes providing further information on certain needs such as anxiety and digital addiction as well as offering ways of accessing further help and useful suggestions of 'things you can do in the moment' to help support the young person.

More information can be found through the Combined Minds website at <https://combinedminds.co.uk/>

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:

https://catrustorg.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/CambourneVCPublic/EckeB-WkJX1NoaAciPBjAScBG_cU4zuSmd0A0WEUDyO-Fw?e=OgjANx

[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](#))





Thank you for supporting your children's return to school by sending them back in such smart uniform. A PE Department hoodie may still be worn inside as an extra layer for any pupil who finds classrooms cool under current ventilation arrangements.

Families who find it difficult to afford school uniform at any time should contact their Year team admin (details below), in complete confidence, so that a way forward can be found.

Year 7 – Louise Boyd cam-year7@cambournevc.org

Year 8 – Melanie Stanford cam-year8@cambournevc.org

Year 9 – Kayleigh Blane cam-year9@cambournevc.org

Year 10 – Julia Hewitson cam-year10@cambournevc.org

Year 11 – Louise Ramsay cam-year11@cambournevc.org

Our up-to-date uniform policy and suppliers can be found on the [school website](#).

Thank you.

FREE deliveries to the College have now been reinstated by SWI. Items delivered to the College will be available for your child to collect from their Year Team office.

SecondHandUniform

If you would like to check our second-hand uniform availability, please complete the form below to submit your enquiry.

[Second-Hand Uniform Request](#)

Please allow 48 hours for a response.

If your child has **lost an item of uniform**, please ask them to check with their **Year team office** in the first instance, or please **email thecollege@cambournevc.org** so that we can arrange for your child to check our unnamed items.

If your child needs a coat/jacket and would like to look through our unnamed items to find something suitable for them, please ask them to go to their Year team office or email the College.



Essential Schoolwear

PARENTS

View the uniform range for your school

[CLICK HERE](#)

SCHOOLS

Let us help you with your uniform needs

[CLICK HERE](#)

Welcome to our new website!

Brighter, faster and easier to navigate.

Our new site has several improvements, including:

Fully responsive for easy use on all devices from pc to mobile phone.



13 different languages to choose from. More can be added if requested.



Customers receive Track & Trace notification for their orders once despatched.



Customers can register for different schools under the same account and orders can be combined.



Example Junior School (5)



Example Senior School (3)

We are testing our new App and QR links will be added to the site when it is released.



Customer data from our old site has been transferred across, so there is no need to re-register

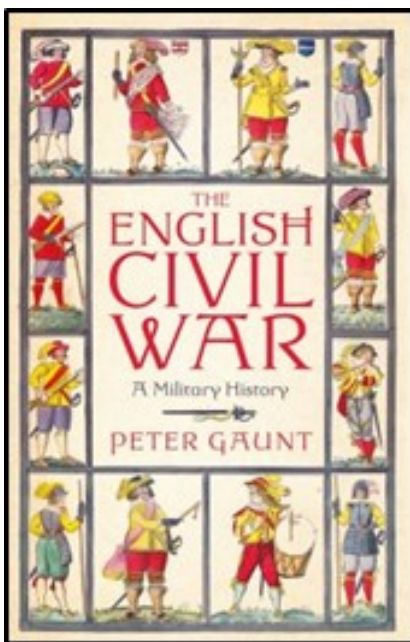
[LOG IN](#)

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



On midnight beach by Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick

Donegal, 1976. When a dolphin takes up residence in Carrig Cove, Emer and her best friend, Fee, feel like they have an instant connection with it. Then Dog Cullen and his sidekick, Kit, turn up, and the four friends begin to sneak out at midnight to go down to the beach, daring each other to swim closer and closer to the creature... But the fame and fortune the dolphin brings to their small village builds resentment amongst their neighbours across the bay, and the summer days get longer and hotter... There is something wild and intense in the air. Love feels fierce, old hatreds fester, and suddenly everything feels worth fighting for. **Shortlisted for the 2021 CILIP Carnegie Medal. (Available on the Sora app)**



The English Civil War: a military history by Peter Gaunt

In this vividly narrated history of the deadly conflict that engulfed the nation during the 1640s, Peter Gaunt shows that, with the exception of World War I, the death-rate was higher than any other contest in which Britain has participated. Numerous towns and villages were garrisoned, attacked, damaged or wrecked. The landscape was profoundly altered. Yet amidst all the blood and killing, the fighting was also a catalyst for profound social change and innovation. Charting major battles, raids and engagements, the author uses rich contemporary accounts to explore the life-changing experience of war for those involved, whether musketeers at Cheriton, dragoons at Edgehill or Cromwell's disciplined Ironsides at Naseby (1645). **(Available from the School Library)**

ARTICLES

Students have access to a Teams channel of articles that school staff have chosen as being particularly interesting.

If your child is looking for something to read, there is a continually-updated selection – they'll fit nicely into the reading time each day, and offer something current to learn more about.

Find it here: [Recommended Articles](#)



USEFUL LINKS

Extended Learning

Click on the link below to find out more about our **Extended Learning Opportunities**:

[Extended Learning Opportunities](#)



Click on the link below to access our **PE** related information:

[Parent Bulletin Links - PE](#)



Click on the link below to view our latest **PSHE** information:

[Parent Bulletin Links - PSHE](#)



Click on the link below to access **Covid-19** related information:

[Parent Bulletin Links - COVID-19](#)



Click on the link below to view our latest **DofE** updates:

[Parent Bulletin Links - DofE](#)



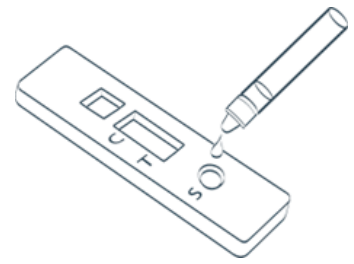
Click on the link below to find information about our **Music Clubs**:

[Parent Bulletin Links - Music Clubs](#)

LFD Screening

What is LFD

- Lateral Flow Device
- These are used for screening purposes only and should **not** be used if someone **is symptomatic**
- These tests are quick and easy to use at home and help to identify those who may have Covid-19 but aren't symptomatic



Why should my child take part in weekly screening?

- One third of infected individuals have no symptoms and unknowingly spread coronavirus infection. Community LFD testing is one method to help identify and then isolate those infected. This helps reduce the risk for others in the wider community who are more at risk of infection such as the elderly and those who have underlying health conditions, contacts that students and students families have outside of school.
- The government guidance for schools should you wish to read is <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-full-opening-special-schools-and-other-specialist-settings/rapid-asymptomatic-testing-in-specialist-settings>
- LFD testing is voluntary, and we respect any decision surrounding this however we would like to encourage this as much as possible

The weekly process

- Pupils should test on a **WEDNESDAY** and **SUNDAY** each week
- Results should be entered into TestRegister at [TestRegister.co.uk](https://www.testregister.co.uk)

If you do not want to use this app please continue to use the [Covid 19 Information](#) Form to log your results if Positive.

If your LFD test result is **positive** please isolate as a household and book a **PCR test** immediately. We will be notified that the LFD test results is positive (if using TestRegister). Please notify us of the PCR result via [Covid 19 Information](#)

Covid-19 symptoms

- If you or anyone in your household has: a continuous cough, loss of taste/smell or high temperature, **isolate as a household** and book a **PCR test** ASAP. You should **NOT** use a LFD test at this point.

Please let us know the details of this by completing this form: [Covid 19 Information](#)

STAY ~~POSITIVE~~
NEGATIVE



Get
Tested



Get
Results



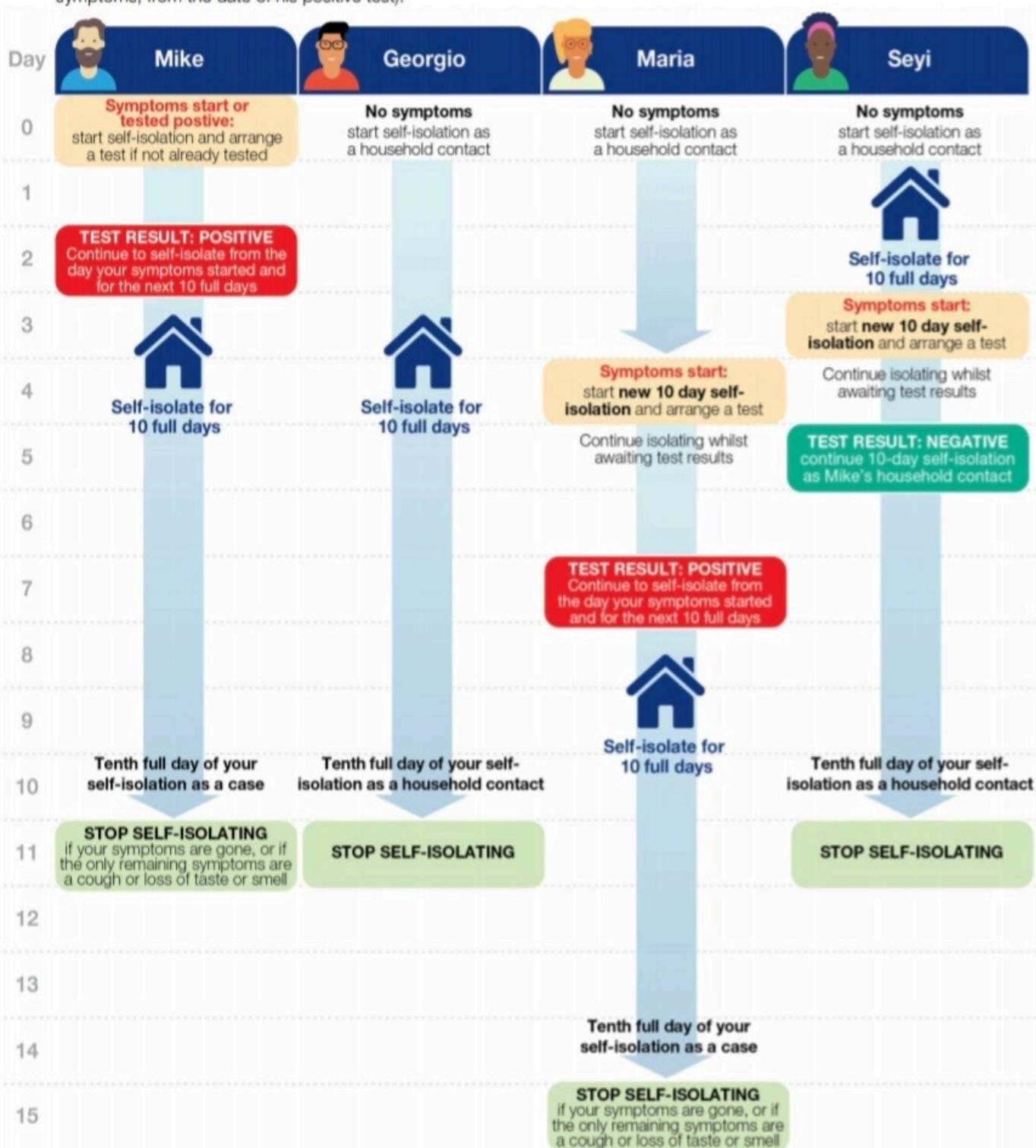
Get Peace
of Mind



Stay at home and self-isolate.

Please see [detailed guidance online](#).

Mike's household: In this example, Mike lives with Georgio, Maria and Seyi. Mike is the first case of COVID-19 in this household. He and everyone in the household begin self-isolating from the day Mike's symptoms start (or if he had no symptoms, from the date of his positive test).



Self-isolate for 10 full days.

You need to self-isolate from the day the first person in your household started symptoms and for the next 10 full days. If they did not have symptoms, self-isolate from the day of their test and for the next 10 full days.

To self-isolate means:

Do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis. Only leave your home to get to your test if you need to, observe strict social distancing advice and return immediately afterwards.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

Attendance

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

6 days or less
absence per year
97% or above
VERY GOOD
THIS IS YOUR
TARGET

Between
7 and 19 days
absence per year
90% - 96%
BELOW
EXPECTATIONS

More
than 19 days
absence per year
Under 90%
POOR
ATTENDANCE

ABSENCE REQUEST

To notify us of any planned absences, please visit the [Absences](#) page on our website and submit an Absence Request Form, with 2 school days' prior notice for this to be reviewed for authorisation.

APPOINTMENTS

We strongly encourage parents to make medical and dental appointments out of school hours where possible. Where this is not possible, pupils should be in school prior to/after the appointment and out of school for as little time as possible.

Missing registration AM or PM for a medical or dental appointment is counted as an authorised absence and advance notice is required for authorising these absences.

Please notify Reception of when an appointment is and the timings that the pupil will not be in school by emailing thecollege@cambournevc.org.

If we do not receive prior notification to a morning absence, we will contact home and the absence will only be authorised on proof of the medical appointment upon the pupil's return.

When leaving for an appointment, the pupil must sign out at Reception and be collected by their parent or carer, and they must sign back in when they return.



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.

Cambourne Arts Centre and Cinema

- Professional arts events and Community Cinema
 - Evenings, weekends and school holidays
- For all of Cambourne and the surrounding area



How can you help?

Scan the QR code or visit:
<https://www.cambournevc.org/about-us/charitable-trust/>



We need more funds!

To get to where we are today has cost £145,000 so far!

To be able to bring a CINEMA to Cambourne, we need YOUR support to raise the final £100,000, by December 2021, for:

- Professional quality cinema screen and projector
- Surround-sound speakers

Cambourne Village College has built a new performance hall, with the help of our Town and County Councils!

Funding from Cam Academy Trust and the College, and fundraising by CamVC's Charitable Trust, means that hopefully by September 2021, we will be delivering:

- Musical and theatre performances for audiences of up to 350
- A full stage, lighting and top-quality tiered seating experience

In addition, we now have the ambition to:

- Show box-office films just weeks after national release
- Stream live broadcasts of west-end theatre, ballet and opera
- Employ a Community Arts Officer to grow the Arts offering for local people
- Attract professional touring theatre and dance companies



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.

Communication with the School

How can I contact my child's Year Team?



Please email cam-year7@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Boyd

Please email cam-year8@cambournevc.org | PSA Mel Stanford



Please email cam-year9@cambournevc.org | PSA Kayleigh Blane

Please email cam-year10@cambournevc.org | PSA Sam Tomlinson

Please email cam-year11@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Ramsay

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

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

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