



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 17 Sept 2021

The Week Ahead

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Extra-Curricular Clubs	Please CLICK HERE to see our current programme
Sports Clubs and Fixtures	Please CLICK HERE to see our current programme
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Key Dates

Thursday 23 September	Year 7: 'Meet the School' Evening
Monday 27 September - Friday 1 October	Year 7: CATS
Thursday 07 October	Staff Training Day - school closed to all pupils
Monday 25 - Friday 29 October	Half Term



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

We have some particularly important messages for you this week.

Covid Cases in School

At the end of this week we have 23 cases of coronavirus among the pupil body, confirmed by PCR tests. We have spoken with Public Health England about this and are informed that no further measures above those outlined in our current risk assessment are necessary at present. Thank you to everyone who has been testing their children and reporting the results. Last week this only represented 58% of our pupils. Home testing and identification of asymptomatic cases is our main defence for our pupils against the virus.

Test at home - LFD testing

Please continue to test on **WEDNESDAY and SUNDAY evening**

Please log results on TestRegister- we will be notified. Please book a PCR immediately if you get a positive result.

Get a PCR test if your child/ someone in the household displays Covid-19 symptoms

If your child or anyone in your household has: loss of taste/smell, a high temperature or a new continuous cough, isolate and book a PCR test ASAP.

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

We will support any family who choose to keep their child off while someone else in the household undertakes a PCR test and awaits the results. We will confirm this with you on a case-by-case basis.

Vaccinations

Your child should have brought home a letter about the **FLU** vaccination that will be offered in the College to all year groups in the coming weeks. The Government recommends that all pupils have this vaccination. Please read the information and return your completed consent forms as soon as possible.

Covid Vaccination

The Government has announced that Covid vaccinations will be offered to all young people aged 12 to 15 this autumn. We do not have any dates for this at present. [NHS leaflets](#) are available to provide more information to parents, carers and eligible young people on the vaccine, including how it works and what to expect after having the vaccine. We will let you know more information on this process as soon as we receive it.

Save Travel to and from School

We are receiving daily reports of our pupils cycling/scooting dangerously and inconsiderately on their journeys to and from school. If your child cycles or scoots to school, please discuss with them the importance of safe and careful cycling: drivers are reporting near-misses with alarming frequency.

At present, cyclists have to use the congested and dangerous road along Swansley Lane, or push their bikes on the footpath. A parent has started this online petition to have the cycle-path extended from the cricket pitch, along Swansley Lane to the school gates. This is something the school has been pursuing ever since opening and your support for this would be very welcome.
<https://chnq.it/y2dznGffjS>

Pupils' exit from school along Swansley Lane is made much more hazardous by parents continuing to use it when picking up children. Please use the main car park if your child is unable to make the journey to and from school independently.

On a much more positive note, pupils have returned with very positive attitudes to learning and many are staying for after-school activities. Thank you for all your support in sending them in with such smart uniform.

We wish you all a very pleasant weekend,

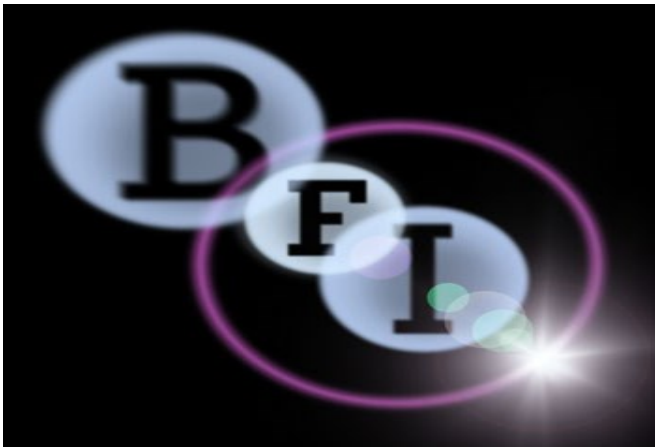
Claire Coates



The Library is open to all pupils every day from 8am until Registration, at break, lunchtime and after school until 4pm (4:30pm on Tuesday).

Pupils are welcome to come to read, search for new books and borrow them, do homework or research, or use their iPad or the computers.





British Film Institute 'Black lives on screen'

Thursday 7th October

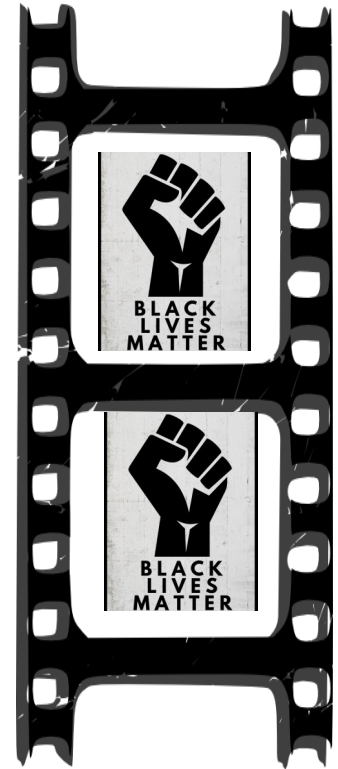
Held at Cambourne Village College, 10.30am-12.15pm

All students in Years 9-11 with an interest in History, Film, and Politics, are invited to attend a free screening of '**Black lives on screen**'. This event uses a wealth of film from the BFI archive that represents the experiences of Black British people.

Event details:: The British Film Institute holds a rich archive of films relating to Black British History. Many of the films are explicitly about the Black experience in 20th century Britain, others capture the Black presence in and amongst other elements of British life. While some of the films confirm our understanding, many are surprising. Join us as we explore recordings of lived experience in 20th-century Britain and stories of migration.

Note: The school is closed on this day. Students will need to be at school from 10.30am-12.15pm to take part.

Speak to Miss Angell if you have any questions



Young Carers

Young Carers group returns on Thursday 16th September with all year groups welcome. It will run from 3.10-4pm and students will initially meet in the Link but different activities will be planned weekly.

Young Carer lunchtime drop-ins will be on Mondays in the Link.

If parents have any queries they can contact Emily Smith at esmith@cambournevc.org





MUSIC CLUBS

Music Notices

It's not too late to sign up your child for instrumental lessons!!

There are still space for pupils to learn: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, violin, piano, keyboard, guitar, drums, or singing!

To sign, download the forms from here:

[Instrument lessons - Cambourne Village College \(cambournevc.org\)](http://cambournevc.org)

Music Clubs (in Music Block)

Music clubs are underway again:

3pm, Mondays – Concert Band (Years 7 – 11)

3pm, Tuesdays – Junior Choir (Years 7 & 8)

3pm, Tuesdays – Jazz Band (Years 9 – 11)

3pm, Fridays – Senior Choir (Years 9 – 11)

School Production: Auditions next week

THURSDAY 23rd September (in Main Hall)

We are very excited to be launching this year's whole school musical, which is:
The Addams Family Musical.

Auditions are next **Thursday** in the Main Hall from 3 – 5pm, and pupils from years 7 – 11 are encouraged to audition.

Pupils don't need to prepare anything for the audition, they will be taught some dance, singing and given a duologue to practise.

Please read the form ([here](#)) carefully with the full details, and pupils must bring this signed by them and you to the audition! ***Please make careful note of all the rehearsal times and dates, including the weekend rehearsal in the new year.***



performing
ARTS

PE Department Extra-curricular Clubs – September 2021

MONDAY 3-4pm

Year 7 Football – Astro
Year 8 Rugby- Field
Year 9 Rugby – Field
Year 9/10/11 Basketball – Sports Hall
KS3 Badminton – Gym

TUESDAY 3-4pm

Year 8 Football – Astro
Year 7 Rugby – Field
Girls Rugby – Field
Dance – Gym

WEDNESDAY 3-4pm

Hockey – Astro
Year 9/10/11 Football – Astro
Year 7/8 Basketball – Sports Hall
Table Tennis – Gym

THURSDAY 3-4pm

Golf – Field (CCC)
Sports Leaders Opportunities – Check the Sports Leaders Board

FRIDAY 3-4pm

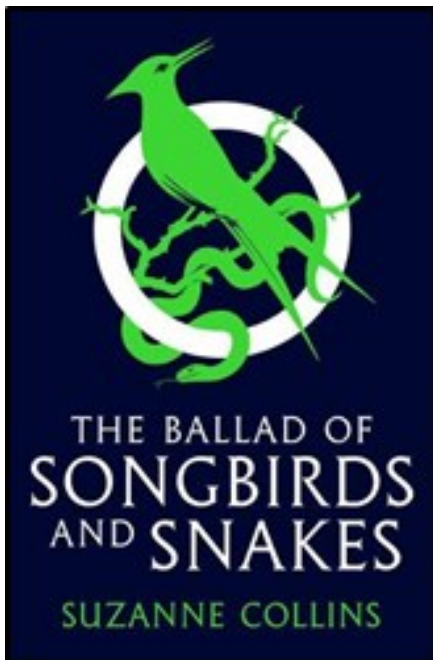
KS4 Badminton – Sports Hall
Girls Football – Astro
Fitness – Gym
BTEC Catch Up – IT04

Meet at the back doors to the orange changing rooms.

Golf

We are extremely fortunate to have Cambridge Country Club coming into school on Thursdays from 3-4pm to lead golf coaching sessions with our pupils. Pupils of all abilities are welcome to come along and receive free coaching from PGA professional, Joel. This includes pupils with some experience who would like some tips and coaching advice on how to improve. This opportunity is open to all pupils from Years 7 to 11. Sessions will be held on the astro and the field. More information is available from Miss Gassner in the PE department.

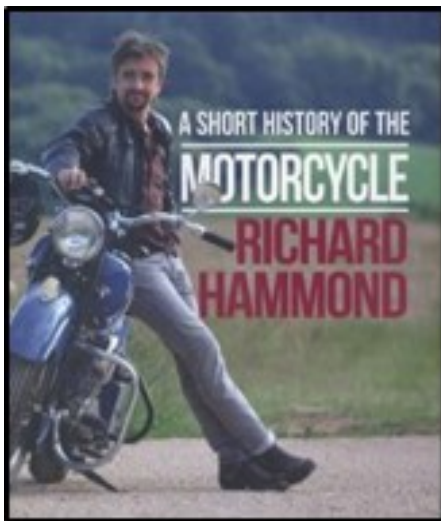
BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes by Suzanne Collins

Return to the world of The Hunger Games in a compelling prequel that both informs the original trilogy and stands alone as a powerful, breathlessly exciting science fiction thriller.

It is the morning of the reaping that will kick off the tenth annual Hunger Games. In the Capitol, eighteen-year-old Coriolanus Snow is preparing for his one shot at glory as a mentor in the Games. He's been given the humiliating assignment of mentoring the female tribute from District 12, the lowest of the low. Their fates are now completely intertwined — every choice Coriolanus makes could lead to favour or failure, triumph or ruin. **(Available from the School Library and on SORA)**



A Short History of the Motorcycle by Richard Hammond

Richard Hammond's *A Short History of the Motorcycle* attempts to explain what it is about bikes and biking that calls to some people, leaving them powerless to resist.

This entertaining guide charts the history of the bike from its origins as a cheap and modest means of transport for the masses to its modern incarnations: a terrifying symbol of rebellion and menace, a high-tech racing machine and the rich kid's plaything. We look at the bikes that have propelled people across the world to work, to school and to their doom. **(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](#)

Follow us on Twitter @Education__All for updates.

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



Return of FREE public lectures!

Introducing our brand-new public lecture series! We hope that these free lectures help to foster a love and interest in a variety of subjects. There will be a range of speakers and the opportunity to ask questions at each lecture. This also fits in with our wider school remit of being a Village College, inspired by the ideas of Henry Morris, in which schools should act as a community hub and that education is a lifelong process. Everyone is welcome!

For this academic year we are hoping to have a mix of virtual and in-person events. Details about how to join the events (free of charge) and recordings of our previous lectures are available via the school website <https://www.cambournevc.org/news-and-events/education-all.php> and via Twitter: @Education__All

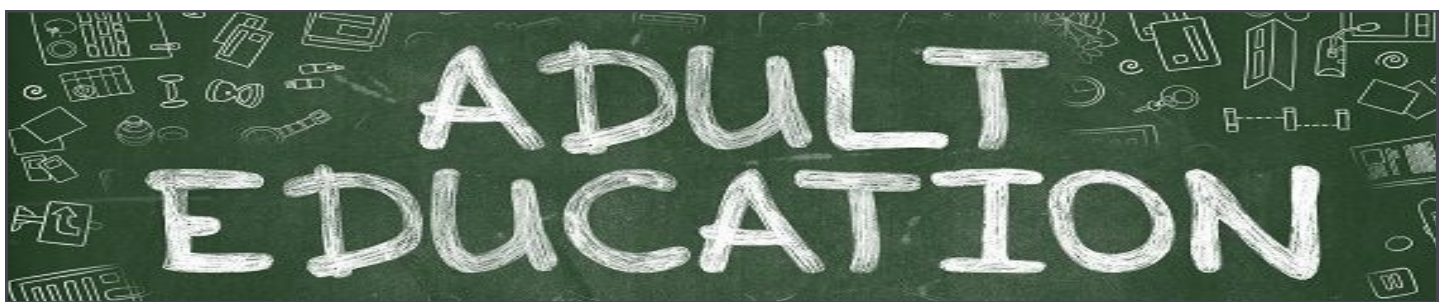
Join us for the first online lecture this term on **Wednesday 29th September, 4-5pm** with **Matthew Hayes** (*Research Assistant, Museum of Zoology, University of Cambridge*).

The history of wildlife: engaging audiences with museum collections

Natural History collections represent a huge source of information. They provide snapshots into the past and allow us to view the history of wildlife over the last few hundred years. However, museums are limited in the number of specimens they can put on display and share with the public, which means the vast majority of material remains in storage, only available to a select few. Matt Hayes will be talking about his work increasing access to the Cambridge University Museum of Zoology butterfly collection, where he is engaging audiences with the stories they preserve. Supported by the Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund.

Join via Microsoft Teams:

<https://bit.ly/3h3ee1h>



Our **Adult Education** programme has been updated for the 2021-22 academic year with additional new free online courses—which still have spaces available including on subjects such as Counselling (introduction to) as well as English and Maths GCSEs.

The full 2021-2022 programme has **over 150 courses on offer**. Full details of the programme can be found on the Adult education page of the [website](#). Detailed Information sheets on all of our courses are also available to download.

You can also contact Mandy Draper by email on commed@catrust.co.uk or phone: 01223 264721 for more information.



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 online lecture will be with.....

Matthew Hayes

The history of wildlife: engaging
audiences with museum collections

*Research Assistant, Museum of
Zoology, University of Cambridge*

**Wednesday 29th
September
4-5pm**

Join via Microsoft
Teams:

<https://bit.ly/3h3ee1h>

SCAN ME



Follow us on Twitter @Education__ All for updates.

For more information contact:
jangell@cambournevc.org



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.

LOST
PROPERTY

SecondHandUniform

We currently have a large number of good quality second hand uniforms available for purchase at a discounted rate. Please complete the form: [Second-Hand Uniform Request](#) and enter what uniform needs your child has.

With reception being open until **9pm each week night during term time**, there is an opportunity to organise a Covid safely-distanced visit to the school to 'see before you buy' at hours to suit you.

Please email our evening receptionist **Liz Staines** to organise a time slot: El-Staines@cambournevc.org



Thank you for your continued support with your children's return to school by sending them back in such smart uniform.

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 Ramsay cam-year7@cambournevc.org

Year 8 - Louise Boyd cam-year8@cambournevc.org

Year 9 - Melanie Stanford cam-year9@cambournevc.org

Year 10 - Kayleigh Blane cam-year10@cambournevc.org

Year 11 - Sam Tomlinson cam-year11@cambournevc.org

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

Long Road open evenings – 21st and 22nd September

full information is available in the attached (which is also on the [careers page of the CATa-
logue](#))

ATTENTION
-YEAR 11s-
YEAR 10s ALSO WELCOME!

REGISTER NOW
WWW.LONGROAD.AC.UK



DISCOVER YOUR ROAD AHEAD

Navigate **YOUR** future after Year 11.

Come and explore, *in person*, our friendly sixth form college. Talk to our dedicated teachers about our 48 courses (A Levels, Diplomas, GCSE re-sits) that we can offer and discover how we can tailor a study programme that is just right for you.

OPEN EVENINGS
21ST & 22ND
SEPTEMBER 2021

#ROADAHEAD



LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM
COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE



Impington International College -

Tours available from 20th September – 1st October, open evening on 21st October (4.45-8pm) and 1-1 meetings available – full information is available in the attached (which is also on the careers page of the CATalogue)



Impington International College
New Road, Impington
Cambridge
CB24 9LW

t: 01223 200 402
e: sixthform@ivc.tmet.org.uk
w: impingtoninternational.org.uk

10 September 2021

Dear Year 11 Students and Parents/carers,

As the new academic year begins and you move towards completing your GCSEs, you will be considering which post-16 pathway is right for you to continue your learning journey. At IIC, we pride ourselves on being the UK's top non-selective provider of the International Baccalaureate (Sunday Times, Parent Power 2020) and have been offering a world-class education for over 30 years. Over the coming months we will be hosting a number of different events to highlight what we have to offer at IIC.

IIC Tours: 20 September – 1 October

From the 20 September to 1 October, we will be hosting several ticketed 30-minute tours for prospective students and parents. During the tour, you will have a chance to walk around the site to see the facilities, meet IIC staff and students and visit some 6th form lessons. Tours are limited to 20 tickets per event so if you would like to book a ticket to attend, please do so by clicking the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/impington-international-college-tours-for-prospective-students-2022-entry-tickets-167875027727>

IIC Open Evening – 21 October (4:45 – 8pm)

On Thursday 21 October we are holding our on-site Open Evening for 2022 entry. You will be able to book a timed entry slot. During the event you will have a chance to hear more about the different programmes on offer, meet subject specialists and students and get to know our College. Tickets are limited to 50 per time slot so if you would like to book a ticket to attend, please do so by clicking the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/impington-international-college-open-evening-2022-entry-tickets-170263640131>

Online 1:1 meeting

If you are unable to attend any of our events, or have specific questions you would prefer to ask individually and would like to book an online 1:1 meeting with a member of our 6th form leadership team, please complete the following form and a member of the team will be in contact to arrange a suitable date and time for the meeting: <https://forms.office.com/r/4dH0G3qEsg>

We look forward to welcoming you to our many events at Impington International College.

Yours faithfully

Christine Martin
Director of Student Progress
Impington International College



t: 01223 200 402 (ext 3287) e: CMartin@ivc.tmet.org.uk w: impingtoninternational.org.uk



Celebrating 30 years of the IB in 2021

POST 16: NEXT STEPS



What Next?

Autumn Term 2021	
Comberton Sixth Form	Open Evening: Wednesday 3 November; times to be confirmed. Please see the Comberton Sixth Form website for more information (https://www.combertonsixthform.org/)
Cambridge Regional College	Open Evenings: Tuesday 14th September 2021, 4.30-7.00pm Tuesday 5th October 2021, 5:00-7:30pm Thursday 25 th November, Apprenticeship Information Evening Details of all events can be found on the college website https://

Cambridge Futsal Club are looking for U13 and U14 players.

Training sessions are on Sunday mornings at Swavesey Village College from 12:15 to 13:15. For more information please email academy@cambridgefutsal.club

Cambridge Futsal Club Academy U13/U14's

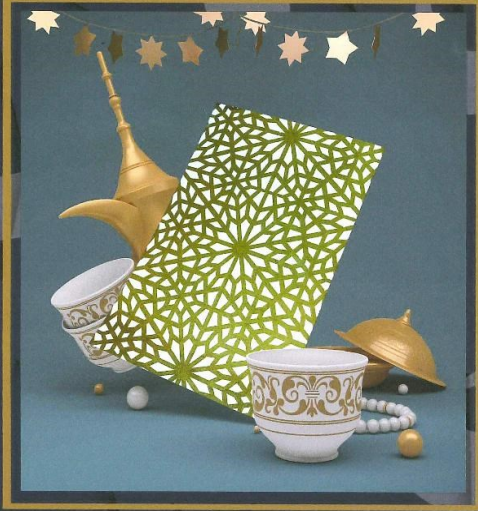
- ▶ Cambridge Futsal Club Academy are looking for u13 and u14 players for the season 2021-22
- ▶ Training Swavesey Village College Sundays 12:15-13:15
- ▶ We offer a unique pathway for youth players with fantastic opportunities
- ▶ For more information get in touch academy@cambridgefutsal.club



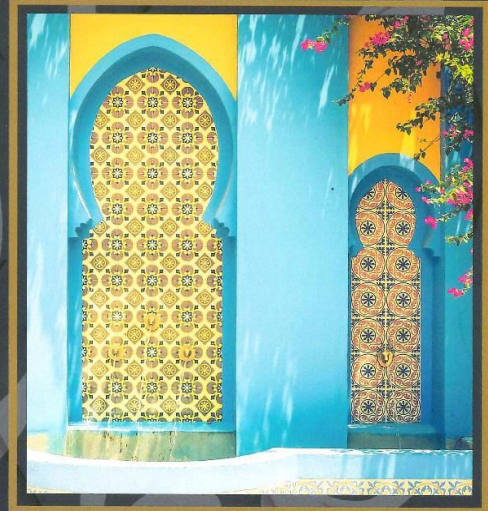
مهرجان كامبريدج للتقافة العربية Cambridge Festival Of Arab Culture

CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE
SUNDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER FROM 1PM TO 6PM

OPEN EVENT, EVERYONE WELCOME



◆ ARAB TRADITIONAL
FOOD AND DRINKS



◆ ARAB ARTS AND
CULTURE DISPLAY

FREE BOUNCY CASTLES
FREE TEA/COFFEE/BISCUITS/CAKES
TRADITIONAL ARABIC MUSIC
ARABIC CALLIGRAPHY
STALLS: ARAB CULTURE, FOOD, HISTORY AND TRADITIONS

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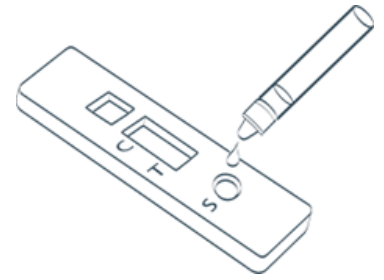
   /CAMBCRESCENT

www.CambourneCrescent.org

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

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

Online Safety Tips

KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE

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](#))



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 the time and date of appointments by emailing:

thecollege@cambournevc.org.

If we do not receive notification prior 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.



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 Ramsey

Please email cam-year8@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Boyd

Please email cam-year9@cambournevc.org | PSA Mel Stanford

Please email cam-year10@cambournevc.org | PSA Kayleigh Blane

Please email cam-year11@cambournevc.org | PSA Sam Tomlinson

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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