



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 15th July 2022

The Week Ahead

Weekly Menu	Please CLICK HERE to see our current Menu
Extra-Curricular Clubs	Please CLICK HERE to see our current programme
Sports Clubs and Fixtures	Please CLICK HERE to see our current programme
Vacancies	Please CLICK HERE to see a list of our current Vacancies

Key Dates

Wednesday 13th - Thursday 21st July	Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 18th—Thursday 21st July	Activities Week (off timetable for all pupils) Year 7 Residential at Beaumanor Hall
Friday 22nd July	End of Summer Term (school ends at 1.30pm)
Wednesday 24th - ~Thursday 25th August	Uniform Sizing Events (5pm-7pm). All Years welcome
Thursday 25th August	GCSE Results Day
Friday 2nd September	Year 7 pupils only in School
Monday 5th September	All pupils in school


School Uniform Consultation Results

The results from the recent Parent and Carer school uniform consultation are below

1. I support the wearing of uniform at Cambourne Village College

[More Details](#)

 [Insights](#)

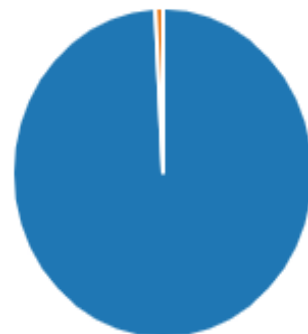
 Yes	349
 No	20



2. I support the initiative to allow families to purchase cheaper items from alternative outlets


[More Details](#)

 Yes	366
 No	3



3. If buying non-branded items, I'm prepared to source items in the same style as those sold by school suppliers

[More Details](#)

 [Insights](#)

 Yes	359
 No	9



4. I support the provision of previously worn uniform

[More Details](#)

 Insights

 Yes	348
 No	20



5. I am willing to donate previously worn uniform in good condition, for recycling

[More Details](#)

 Insights

 Yes	353
 No	14



LOST PROPERTY

Any lost property item not claimed by the end of the summer term, will be donated to charity over the summer holidays.



If your child has lost an item, please contact reception either in person between 8am and 4pm or via email on thecollege@Cambourenvc.org

Current Vacancies at Cambourne Village College:

Please see the most recent vacancies at Cambourne VC - all relevant paperwork is on the [vacancies](#) page of the website. Please feel free to share these vacancies amongst friends and family.

Should you like to speak to anyone regarding these vacancies please contact the HR team on 01954 284034.

Campus Manager

- Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022
- Hours: Full time, 52 weeks per year
- Contract: Permanent
- Deadline: 1 September 2022

Remote Learning Teaching Assistant

- Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022
- Hours: 30hrs per week
- Contract: 1 year Fixed Term
- Deadline: 1 September 2022

Sports Graduate

- Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022
- Hours: 20hrs per week
- Contract: 1 year Fixed Term
- Deadline: 1 September 2022

HR Manager

- Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022
- Hours: 37hrs per week
- Contract: Permanent
- Deadline: 1 September 2022

Site Assistant

- Start Date: ASAP
- Hours: 37hrs per week
- Contract: Permanent
- Deadline: 31 August 2022

Teaching Assistants

- Start Date: Autumn Term 2022
- Hours: 25.5hrs per week
- Contract: 1 year Fixed Term
- Deadline: 1 September 2022



IMPORTANT NOTICES

PLEASE READ

Go4Schools Parent and Student Access

Access to Go4Schools will be suspended at the end of July, to allow the system to be set up for the next academic year. Students and parents will have access to the system again on the first day of school in September.

GO 4 SCHOOLS

GCSE Art Starter Packs Payment reminder:

If you would like to purchase an art starter pack for your child we have extended the deadline until close of play on **Monday 18th July**. We highly recommend purchasing via school as it will offer considerable savings in cost to you and will contain 'essentials' that they will need for their course. Please make payment via your ParentPay account.



Donations needed for
Cambridge City Food Bank

We will be collecting food donations in school for the last couple of weeks of term to go to Cambridge City foodbank.

If you are able to donate any of the below items, as specifically suggested by the food bank, please ask your children to take these to their year office or they can be dropped off at Reception between 8am and 4pm.

Items needed:

- Tinned fish
- Pasta sauces
- Tea and Coffee
- Baked beans
- Snacks
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned meals
- Cereal
- Long life juices
- Tinned vegetables



Trainee Educational Psychologist Research - Girls who play video games!



Are you a girl who plays videogames?



My name is Naomi Cumberland and I am a Trainee Educational Psychologist. I am doing research with girls who play videogames.

I am really interested in your experiences of playing videogames, the place these have in your life, and how you feel they impact your wellbeing (positively, negatively, or not at all!)

How can you help?

I'd like to hear from young people who:

- ✓ Are female, aged between 11 and 16 years old
- ✓ Play video games in their spare time. This can be any type of game, played across any platform e.g. console, PC, mobile phone, for any amount of time

What will it involve?

- ✓ A video call on Microsoft Teams (of up to one hour) to talk about your experiences
- ✓ You will be asked to bring along a photo or picture to share with me that you think will tell me something about your gaming experiences



I'm interested! What next?

For more information, please show this to your parent/guardian, and ask them to contact me on n.cumberland@uea.ac.uk (Doing this does not mean you have to take part – you will be given lots more information)

From Naomi Cumberland, Trainee Educational Psychologist:

My research is aimed at finding out about teenage girls' experiences of video gaming, and the impact of this on their wellbeing. I will be conducting research with girls aged 11-16 years old who play video games in any format, and this will take the form of an interview, along with the participants bringing along a photograph or picture which captures something of their experiences of gaming and wellbeing to discuss. All interviews will take place via Microsoft Teams whilst the participants are at home with a parent or guardian in the home at the time of the interview. The study has been granted full ethical approval.





PLEASE RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS before the summer holidays.

There are still a number of books out on loan to pupils. We would appreciate your help getting the books back onto our shelves. However, do please note that books may be borrowed over the summer with permission from library staff.

If a book is lost, we ask that you please replace the book (or provide a suitable alternative) or contribute towards the cost of replacing the book (£5 fiction or £10 non-fiction).



LIBRARY AMAZON WISHLIST

During their time at CamVC, our students spend much time in the library. They may attend library lessons, borrow books, do homework, or simply come to read somewhere warm away from the main school hubbub.

We aim to keep our stock up to date, as well as replacing much loved titles as they suffer from their popularity. If you would like to help us with this ongoing and expensive task, please see our Amazon Wish List: <https://amzn.eu/bz1SSR7>

If you do decide to donate a book, please remember to fill in the gift message so that we can put a bookplate inside the front cover of your chosen book to acknowledge your kind donation.

Many thanks for considering this idea.

Physical Education

Dear Parents and Carers,

The PE department are absolutely delighted to be running clubs and fixtures again, and it has been fantastic to see so many pupils getting involved in extra-curricular activities.

As you are probably already aware, the extra-curricular sport programme at Cambourne VC is exceptionally strong. It is our aim in the PE department to have every pupil access our extra-curricular provision at some point throughout the week. To help us achieve this, we have created a varied programme of clubs that will change on a termly basis, to allow everyone to find something they enjoy. Pupils can choose whether to come along and enjoy being active with their friends or to train to improve their performance. We would really love to see as many pupils there as possible!

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 for 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 under the clubs tab.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Lindsey Gassner

PE Teacher and Sporting Opportunities Co-ordinator

Barons' Sporting Bursary

We have been incredibly lucky to work alongside Barons BMW in Cambourne to create the Barons' Sporting Bursary. This bursary is awarded to any student who would like to join a community sports club or to participate in a sporting festival or event but cannot afford the membership or associated costs.

Its aim is to ensure that every student at CamVC can participate in sport, dance and physical activity regardless of costs and is primarily aimed at students of families who cannot afford to pay for these opportunities. Some examples of how the bursary can be used are:

- *Paying for a year's membership to a Sports Club, e.g. Cambourne Netball Club*
- *Paying for transport costs to get into Cambridge to participate in a club*
- *Paying for additional equipment e.g. a new hockey stick*
- *Paying for the entry costs of an event like the Cambridge Schools Cross Country*
- *Paying to attend a sports coaching or refereeing course such as a FA young officials course*

If your son/daughter would like to apply for the bursary then please encourage them to fill out the form [HERE](#) with as much information as possible about themselves and the sporting opportunity.



PE Department Extra-curricular Clubs – June 2022

MONDAY 3-4pm

Athletics – Field

Golf – Field

Box Fitness – PH

TUESDAY 3-4pm

Year 9-11 Football – Astro

Dance – Drama Studio

Cricket – Field

Table tennis – Performance Hall

WEDNESDAY 3-4pm

FIXTURES

Year 7 girls football training – Astro – Football Activators

THURSDAY 3-4pm

Team games – Hard Courts – Sports Leaders

Football Leadership Academy Referee Course – 3:15-5:15pm – Speak to Mr Young

FRIDAY 3-4pm

BTEC Catch Up – IT04

GCSE PE Catch up – Pink

Rounders – Field

Year 8 Football – Astro

Year 7 Football – Astro

CAMBOURNE
VILLAGE COLLEGE

Boys changing – meet at the back doors to the **orange** changing rooms

Girls changing – meet at the back doors to the **green** changing rooms

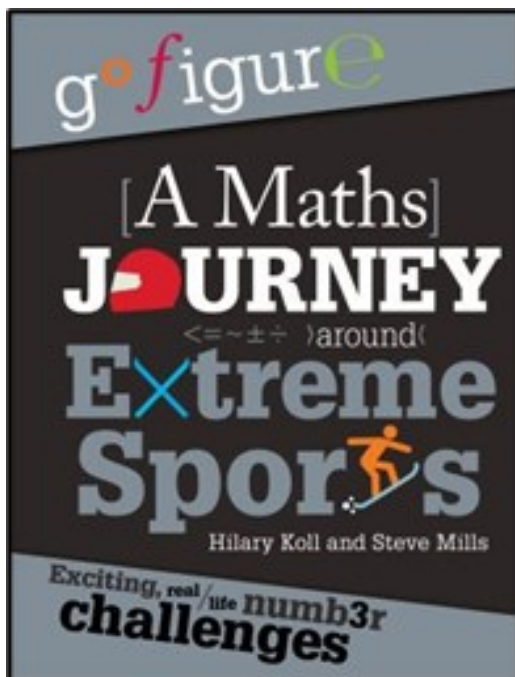
BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



The lion above the door by Onjali Q.

Raúf

Leo and his best friend Sangeeta are the odd ones out in their school. But as Leo's dad is always telling him, it's because they're special. Only thing is, if they're so special, how come they never see anyone who looks like them in their school history books? Then, on a class trip to a nearby cathedral, Leo's attention is drawn to a large marble slab high above the doors of the hall. Right there, bang in the middle of a list of war heroes, Leo finds himself staring at something incredible: his own name. Desperate to know who this other Leo was, the two friends embark on a search. And together, they begin to uncover missing stories from the past, ones which they are determined to put back into their rightful place in the pages of history... **(Available from the School Library)**



A Maths Journey Around Extreme Sports by Hilary Koll

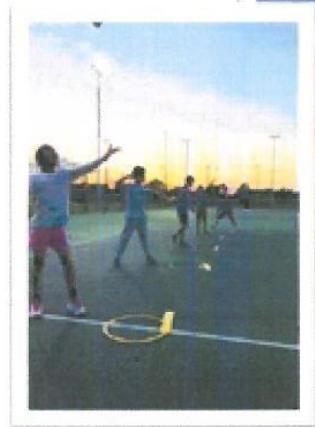
Through data visualisation methods, including colourful diagrams, pictograms, illustrations, photographs and infographics, *Go Figure!* series brings maths into the real world in an innovative, exciting and engaging visual way. It makes even the trickiest problem easier to understand and builds valuable confidence in maths! Find out how the maths you learn at school can help you go on an adventure through the world of extreme sports! Maths challenges encourage you to use real data and fascinating facts to solve mathematical problems that will help you on your way! **(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](#)



10am – 2:30pm

**Junior & Adult
Coaching Sessions**
(12:30 – 1pm)
(1:15 – 1:45pm)
(2 – 2:30pm)

**Wheelchair Tennis
Visually Impaired &
Deaf Tennis**
10am-12pm

Tri-Tennis Wall

BBQ

**Speak to club
members**

SUNDAY 17 JULY CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB OPEN DAY

**Come along and get a taste for
tennis!**



Game Set Tennis



Cambourne LTC

**CAMBOURNE TENNIS
CLUB**

[https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/
cambourneltc](https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/cambourneltc)

GAME SET TENNIS

www.gamesettennis.co.uk



Cocks and Hens Tennis Club
Grantchester Road, Cambridge, CB3 9ED

Summer Holiday Tennis Camps!

- Week 1 – 25 to 29 July 2022
- Week 2 – 1 to 5 Aug 2022
- Week 3 – 8 to 12 Aug 2022
- Week 4 – 15 to 19 Aug 2022
- 6 to 10 yrs / 11 to 16 yrs

Age	Time	Dates	Cost per day	Book for the 5 days each week and pay for only 4!
6 – 10 yrs	10:00 – 12:00 (2hrs)	25 to 29 July 1 to 5 Aug 8 to 12 Aug 15 to 19 Aug	£20 Discounts: 10% for members	£80 Discounts: 10% for members,
11 to 16 yrs	10:00 - 13:00 (3hrs)	25 to 29 July 1 to 5 Aug 8 to 12 Aug 15 to 19 Aug	£35 Discounts: 15% for members	£140 Discounts: 15% for members,

Come and have some fun, improve your game and learn some new skills!

More details on our website:

www.cocksandhens.co.uk/holidaycamps

www.facebook.com/socksandhenstennis

or for more information contact Justin Layne on cockshenscoaching@gmail.com

Find us off Grantchester Road, CB3 9ED. Access on foot/bicycle via Fulbrooke Road or by car drive past the Rugby Club (towards Grantchester) then turn right on the bridleway before the national speed limit sign.



SUMMER YOUTH ROWING COURSE

13-18YR OLDS

Learn to row

JULY 2022
25TH-29TH

AUGUST 2022
1ST-5TH AUG



NO PREVIOUS ROWING REQUIRED

Your opportunity to learn the most iconic sport in Cambridge - in the most fun way possible!

- 5 day course at £150pp (+ booking fee)
- Learn and perfect the full rowing technique
- Proven to aid college and university applications
- Learn to row in an 'eight' boat - same as the Cambridge-Oxford Boat Race
- Work together as a team

****Limited spaces available****

- ✓ Safest boat in the fleet
- ✓ Led by a club captain
- ✓ includes land and water training
- ✓ Row on the iconic River Cam

✉ info@cambridgerowing.com

🌐 www.cambridgerowing.com/summer-course



Cambridgeshire Libraries are currently welcoming to refugees and other new arrivals. They are happy to provide library membership and support with using library resources. They are also aware that a number of Ukrainians have arrived recently in our area we have produced a library leaflet in Ukrainian, distributed via local council welcome packs and available in all library branches.

Here is general information about Cambourne Library, including opening hours, as it is local for most of your students and their families: [Cambourne Library \(cambridgeshire.gov.uk\)](http://cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

Information from Total Clothing: School Uniform supplier



Parents will have the chance to “**win back the cost of their school uniform order**”, if they place their **order from 1st – 30th June**. (min order £35.00 max £150.00 back) .Please see the price guides on [our uniform page](#) of the website for more information.

The Total Clothing Shop is open Monday to Friday from 9am -5pm (from Monday 11th July, Monday to Thursday 9am -5.30pm and 9-5pm on Friday) **and on Saturday from 10.00am till 4pm from Saturday 16th July until Saturday 3rd September.**

This year they are offering a “**WALK IN**” service to all parents with no appointments necessary. This will allow us to service more customers at any one time and gives greater flexibility for your parents to visit our shop during the full opening hours.

As part of their sustainability journey, “**ENZO**” our eco turtle has been introduced to tell parents about their eco journey and can be [downloaded here](#).

An important date to note is **Wednesday 10th AUGUST** – PARENTS NEED TO HAVE PLACED ORDERS BY THIS DATE TO RECEIVE UNIFORM IN TIME FOR THE START OF THE NEW TERM IN SEPTEMBER.

Our other school uniform supplier is [Essential SchoolWear](#).

Their last order date online is **Friday 12th August**

Please also check out their website for 2022-23 uniform options and offers.

Essential Schoolwear



If you have any concerns about buying uniform for the next academic year, please speak to your year team.

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**

Reporting your Child's absence from school

The best way to report your child's absence from school is to email thecollege@cambournevc.org **before 8:30am in the morning**. Please use this email rather than contacting the Year teams or a member of staff directly, as this inbox is monitored all the time and other notifications may be missed.

Please email your **child's name along with their year group and tutor group** with a brief description of the reason they will be absent. Just reporting 'unwell' is not sufficient and this will need to be followed up by the Year team.

Covid

If your child has ANY Covid symptoms, a positive LFD or you are accessing a PCR test, then please report this to the College on thecollege@cambournevc.org. This will be dealt with by dedicated staff, and the year team notified of the pupil's absence.

Medical Appointments

If your child is going to be absent from school due to a prearranged medical appointment, we ideally need notification of this 2 school days in advance. Please email

thecollege@cambournevc.org with the date and time of the appointment and if

possible, a copy of the appointment letter/card. This will ensure the Year team and Reception staff are aware of your child arriving late / leaving early and the necessary arrangements can be put in place. If your child needs to leave early for an appointment, they should inform their teacher that they need to be excused early and make their own way down to Reception. The Reception staff will try to help locate children for appointments, but we do not always have someone available to do a collection from lessons.

All pupils leaving early for appointments need to be collected by a parent to sign them out through our main Reception.

Planned Absence Request

For any planned absence which is not a medical appointment, please complete a [planned absence request form](#). If possible, please submit this form two weeks before the absence. This will enable us to give you a response before the absence is taken. If a request for planned absence is not made, it is likely to be recorded as Unauthorised on your child's attendance record.

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](#))





Safeguarding

At Cambourne Village College we work hard to make sure that we build up positive relationships with the pupils in our care and we hope that we can support families in safeguarding your children.

What is safeguarding?

- Protecting children
- Preventing harm to a child

This includes a variety of different aspects. We are here to help your child make good choices but also support them if they make a mistake.

We work with individual students, their families and external agencies.

What do we do at CamVC to safeguard your child?

- **Staff are vigilant** – staff are very good at noticing small changes and listening to the concerns of those in our care. Tutors are well placed in this process, however all staff play an active role in this.
- **Designated Team** – we have a specific team of people working each day to address concerns raised by staff, pupils, parents and external agencies. This team works to make sure concerns are addressed and the appropriate support is advised
- **Pupil Voice** - we encourage pupils to speak to us or raise their concerns via the 'Report a Concern' button on their iPad

How can we help you?

If you have any concerns about your child or you would like any support, please contact us via cam-safeguarding@cambournevc.org



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 Lorraine Lye

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

We aim to respond to any enquiry within 48 hours.