



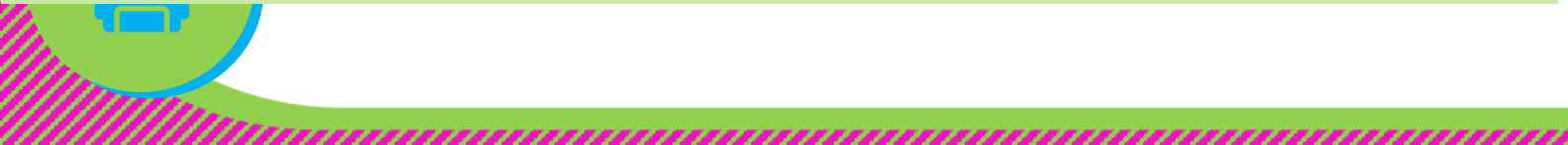
WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 7th October

The Week Ahead

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

Thursday 13th October	Brilliant Club trip to Downing College, Cambridge (all day)
Friday 14th October	English trip to Cambridge Arts Theatre (6pm onwards)
Thursday 20th - Friday 21st October	CE days for all years (pupils off timetable)
Saturday 22nd - Saturday 29th October	Year 11 MFL trip to Granada, Spain
Monday 24th - Friday 28th October	Half Term
Monday 31st October	All pupils back in school



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see the most recent vacancies at Cambourne VC - all relevant paperwork is on the vacancies page of the website

www.cambourenevc.org/contact-us/vacancies.

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 284000.

Current Vacancies at Cambourne Village College:

Maths Hub Project Manager

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: 37 hours per week

Contract: Permanent, Term time plus 5 weeks

Deadline: 13 October 2022

Teacher of PE, Maternity Cover

Start Date: 31 October 2022

Hours: Full time

Contract: Temporary

Deadline: 7 October 2022



Safeguarding Officer

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: Up to 20 hours per week

Contract: Permanent, Term time only

Deadline: 7 October 2022

Morning Receptionist/Administrator

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: 27.5 hours per week

Contract: Permanent, Term time plus training days

Deadline: 10 October 2022



Teacher of Geography, Maternity Cover

Start Date: 1 January 2023

Hours: Full time

Contract: Temporary

Deadline: 12 October 2022

Head of Year 11

Start Date: 1 January 2023

Hours: Full time

Contract: Temporary

Deadline: 12 October 2022

Cover Supervisors

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: Up to 30 hours per week

Contract: Fixed term or Permanent

Deadline: Open until a number of suitable candidates are appointed



Dance reminder:

If your child is taking dance this year, please remind them to bring their indoor trainers for this. Thank you!

Weekly extra-curricular clubs list

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Lunch	Afterschool	Lunch	Afterschool	Lunch	Afterschool	Lunch	Afterschool	Lunch	Afterschool
WCCYM Christian Union – P3	PE Clubs	Junior singers – Music	PE Clubs	History reading club – B12	PE Clubs		PE Clubs	Aspirational Friday – B13	PE Clubs
The reading room – P12	KS3 computer programming – Comp01		Made of molecules LGBTQ+ - P11	The reading room – P12	Creative writing – P13		Gardening Club – The Centre	Minecraft club – Comp01	Senior choir - Music
	Cambookworms – P12		Yr11 computer programming – Comp02	Craft club – P5	Games design – Comp01		School production – 3-5pm	The reading room – P12	
	Latin club – P18		Jazz band – Music	Ukulele club – Music	Art club – Art1				
	Band – Music		Young carers – The Link		Warhammer club – S1				
			Not just black and white – Dining hall		Drama club - Drama				
					Better together – SF canteen				
					STEM Club - Science				

Physical Education

A quick reminder to all parents, carers and students of the health and safety rules in PE lessons.

Students should not be wearing earrings or any jewellery in their PE lessons. The covering of earrings with tape is not a sufficient safety measure; students should be fully removing all earrings in order to participate in their practical PE lessons.

Additionally, long nails, acrylics and nail extensions also pose a significant health and safety issue during PE. Please ensure all long nails or acrylics are cut short or removed

These rules are to keep everyone safe and we thank you for your support with ensuring students can abide by them.

PE Fixtures

There are a large number of fixtures that take place across the year and many pupils are selected for these based on their participation in clubs.

Parents should note that pupils will be selected and informed about fixtures prior to the event and given the timings of these and details about the location and what to wear. This information is displayed on the board outside the PE office for all pupils to see.

It is expected that it is pupils' responsibility to pass on this information to parents. We therefore do not get written consent for every fixture each week. If any parent does not agree with their child being selected and taken on fixtures in this way, please contact the school to make alternative arrangements.

PE Department Extra-curricular Clubs – September 2022

MONDAY 3-4pm

Trampolining – Gym
Year 7 rugby – Field
Year 8 rugby – Field
Glow in the dark sports – Sports hall
Girls' football – Astro

TUESDAY 3-4pm

Dance – Drama studio – STARTING IN OCTOBER
Table tennis – Performance Hall
Hockey – Astro
Basketball – Sports hall
Volleyball – Gym

WEDNESDAY 3-4pm

FIXTURES

BTEC Catch up – IT04
GCSE Catch up – O11
KS4 football – Astro

THURSDAY 3-4pm

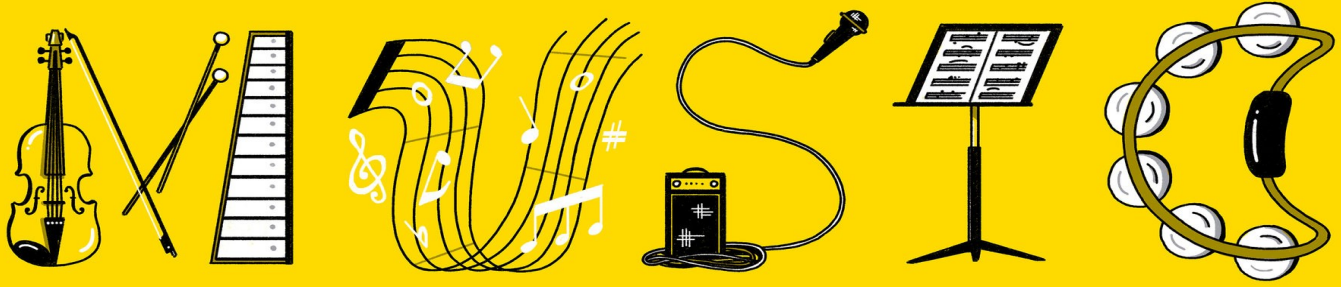
Sports Leaders Opportunities – Check the Sports Leaders Board
Girls active – Sports Hall – Sports Leaders

FRIDAY 3-4pm

Badminton – Sports Hall & Gym
Boys' football – Astro
Netball – Hard courts
Girls' rugby – Field

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

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



Instrumental & Singing Lessons

In Cambourne we have nearly 200 pupils regularly doing Instrumental & Singing lessons in school!

These lessons are mostly starting next week, although due to lots of new sign-ups we are hiring a new piano / keyboard tutor who will be starting in a couple of weeks.

If your child would like to learn a musical instrument, or get singing lessons – then it isn't too late to sign them up – and for most instruments they would be able to start almost straight away.

We currently offer instrumental lessons for:

- Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Violin, Trumpet, Trombone
- Piano, Keyboard
- Drums
- Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar

And singing lessons for all varieties of singer – including pop / classical / musical theatre!

If you would like to find out more about how instrumental & singing lessons work, then visit the school website for more details:

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

And then fill in the online form here:

[Application form for instrument and singing lessons at Cambourne Village College \(office.com\)](http://office.com)

If you have any questions about instrumental & singing lessons, please contact Geoff Page (Head of Music – gpage@cambournevc.org)

Music Clubs

There are lots of different clubs that your child can come attend if they want to develop their musical skills and get to know other musicians in the school!

Clubs are free to attend, and the different groups often get opportunities to perform in school concerts, as well as opportunities outside of school.

The following clubs are starting next week (in the Music Block):

Band (Monday 3-4pm), all instrumentalists, all years

Junior Singer (Tuesday lunchtime), years 7 & 8

Jazz Band (Tuesday 3-4pm), years 9-11

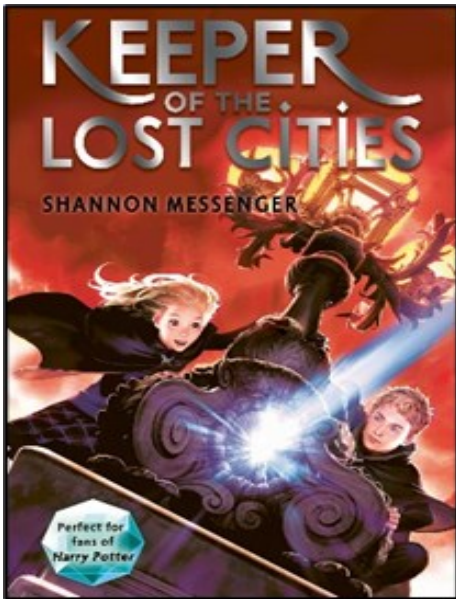
Ukulele Club (Wednesday lunchtime), years 7 – 9

Friday Choir (Friday 3-4pm), years 9-11

If your child is interested in joining a musical club, they are welcome to attend (whatever their ability) and see how they get on!

We look forward to seeing them there.

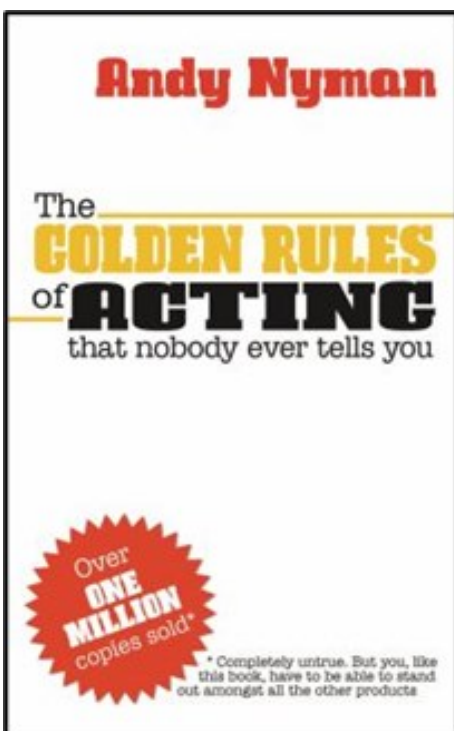
BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Keeper of the Lost Cities by Shannon

Messenger

Sophie is a Telepath and can hear the thoughts of everyone around her - something that she's never spoken about, even to her own family. But everything changes the day she meets Fitz, a mysterious boy who also reads minds. She discovers there's somewhere she does belong and staying where she is will put her in grave danger. In the blink of an eye, Sophie is forced to leave everything behind and start a new life in a magical world. But not everyone is thrilled with her "homecoming". There are secrets buried deep in Sophie's memory, secrets that other people desperately want. **(Available from the School Library and on SORA)**



The golden rules of acting that nobody ever tells you by Andy Nyman

A treasure trove of advice, support, and encouragement that no performer should be without. Honest, witty, and direct, this book is every actor's best friend. Easy to dip into, fully illustrated throughout, and designed to be both instructive and empowering, *The Golden Rules of Acting* won't tell you how to act - but it will tell you how to be an actor. If you're a working actor, drama-school student, someone who wants to become an actor, or simply someone who has a dream and wants to make it a reality, this book is for you. **(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](#)



SCIENCE



TECHNOLOGY



ENGINEERING



MATHEMATICS



It's just under one month to go until the FREE online '**Insights: Your Guide to Careers in STEM**' event.

Cambridgeshire has excellent career opportunities in STEM and this event will give your children a chance to listen and speak to professionals in the sector.

This event will be held between 5.30pm and 7.00pm on Thursday, October 13th 2022.

This event has been designed to showcase the huge range of careers within STEM in the region. Volunteers will be able to give your children a real understanding about the environmental and technological challenges that we face, and the solutions they are coming up with to tackle them. The volunteers, from a range of different companies, will give an excellent insight into their work and pathways.

This virtual event is open to all students from Years 8 and above, as well as their parents / guardians, and has been designed to allow students to:

- Interact and connect with some of the region's leading STEM sector employers
- Learn about pathways available to a career in the STEM sector, including apprenticeships and graduate opportunities
- Find out about different jobs and opportunities

In order to register a place, please click on the following link:

bit.ly/FtFInsightSTEM

It is important that parents/students visit the registration page and click 'join event'. You will be asked to register with Hopin, which is free.



October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Oakes College Autumn Open Evening – Tuesday 11th October 6.00 – 8.30pm

I hope that you and your family are well and that your child is enjoying Year 11.

We are delighted to invite you to our open evening at the Oakes College on 11th October. Our students cannot wait to show you around our buildings, share their experiences of their studies and what life is like as an Oakes student. Our teachers will also be present to answer questions on the courses on offer, to advise on good combinations and reassure regarding the application process.

Without doubt, visiting a centre in person is the very best way of experiencing the atmosphere and community of a sixth form. We are confident that you will come away from The Oakes with a clearer perspective of how we have created such a positive and successful college, tailored to the needs of individuals.

The events begin at **6.00pm on Tuesday 11th October** with presentations about Oakes College and its provision commencing at 6.30pm, repeated at 7.15pm. There is parking on site. Please use the entrance next to the pedestrian crossing on Queen Edith's Way.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Open Evening.



Yours sincerely



Rob Syposz
Director of The Oakes College Cambridge

Inspiring. Individual. Inclusive

Director of College: Rob Syposz
Deputy Directors of College: Emma Hayward Tom Watkins
Pastoral Support: Helen Dav's

Queen Edith's Way, Cambridge, CB1 8NN
Tel: 01223 868327
Email: office@oakescc.org
www.oakescc.org

Open Eve/2022/Autumn Term/Year 11 PC





Autumn Open Evening



Tuesday 11th October
6.00pm – 8.30pm
www.oakescc.org



Springpod - helping students prepare for their future!

Springpod have created a vast line of live and on-demand “Virtual Work Experience Programmes”, which are free for students in years 10 and 11 and are designed to improve the quality of their CV’s and personal statements.

The vast range of experiences (see below) are great for anyone who is considering their next steps, and with each one only taking around 10 hours, the work can be scheduled around their studies.

Click on the programmes below to see the [Springpod website](#) and further information.

Virtual Work Experience Programmes




Graphic Design

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Technology

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Engineering

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Finance & Accounting

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Journalism

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



TV & Film

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Law

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



Marketing

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

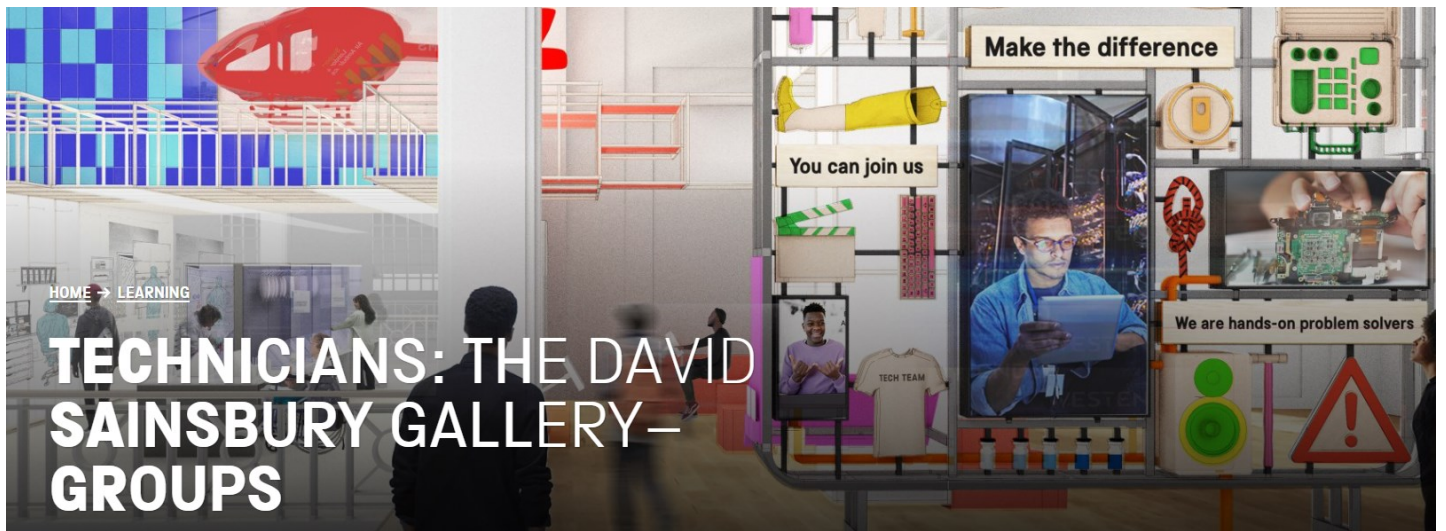
[More info](#)



Sustainability

Programme start date: 24th October
Application deadline: 19th October

[More info](#)



TECHNICIANS: THE DAVID SAINSBURY GALLERY – GROUPS

The new and free interactive careers gallery, [*Technicians: The David Sainsbury Gallery*](#), opens for KS3-4 students (ages 11+)

Opening on 3 November 2022, the gallery offers students a unique insight into a range of technical careers, and supports in achieving the Gatsby Good Career Guidance benchmarks.

A visit to the gallery is guaranteed to set your children's imaginations soaring as they:

- Get hands-on with interactive careers-related exhibits and meet a technician in our [free careers workshop](#).
- Experience what it's like to create visual effects, create lifesaving drugs, and operate advanced technology.
- Explore their own skills and interests to consider their career options.

This information is from the Science Museum (not Cambourne Village College), so [please see the links below for more information or to contact them directly.](#)

[Click here to book tickets.](#)

[Click here to explore the gallery.](#)

[Click here for more information about the free workshop.](#)



Science Museum

033 0058 0058

info@ScienceMuseumGroup.ac.uk





South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

October holiday

Netball camps

Fun and fitness for children
during the school holidays



Wednesday
26 October
10am to 3.30pm



Impington Village
College Sports
Centre, CB24 9LX



For children in
Year 3 to Year 9
of all abilities



£25 per child per day
£22 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 safe setting,
children can develop
skills and put them
into practice

Book now for a place on our October netball camps!

For more information:

✉ holiday.camps@scambs.gov.uk

☎ 01954 713070

To book:

🖱 www.scambs.gov.uk/sportscamps





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

October Half Term Tennis Camps!

- Monday 24 to Friday 28 October
- 6 to 10 yrs / 11 to 16 yrs

Age	Time	Dates	Cost per day	Cost for all days
6 – 10 yrs	10:00 – 12:00 (2hrs)	24 to 28 Oct	£20 Discount: 10% for members	£80 Discounts: 10% for members
11 to 16 yrs	10:00 - 13:00 (3hrs)	24 to 28 Oct	£35 Discount: 15% for members	£140 Discount: 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.

BOURNPLAYERS

production of

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

The most FANTASMAGORICAL stage musical in the history of everything!



Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th,
& Saturday 25th March 2023

OPEN AUDITIONS

AT HARDWICK PRIMARY SCHOOL - HARDWICK VILLAGE

THURSDAY 6TH OCT

CHILDREN 11+

6-8PM

ADULTS

8-10PM

THURSDAY 13TH OCT

CHILDREN 11+

6-7PM

ADULTS

7-10PM

MORE INFORMATION ON THE SHOW AND ROLES IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.BOURNPLAYERS.ORG.UK

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International

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.

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/>



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](#))



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 evening reception hours (6pm to 9pm) each weeknight (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 - Sam Tomlinson cam-year7@cambournevc.org

Year 8 - Lorraine Lye cam-year8@cambournevc.org

Year 9 - Louise Boyd cam-year9@cambournevc.org

Year 10 - Mel Stanford cam-year10@cambournevc.org

Year 11 - Kaleigh Blane cam-year11@cambournevc.org

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



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.

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

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 Sam Tomlinson

Please email cam-year8@cambournevc.org | PSA Lorraine Lye

Please email cam-year9@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Boyd

Please email cam-year10@cambournevc.org | PSA Mel Stanford

Please email cam-year11@cambournevc.org | PSA Kayleigh Blane

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.