



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 21st October

The Week Ahead

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Key Dates

Saturday 22nd - Saturday 29th October	Year 11 MFL trip to Granada, Spain
Monday 24th - Friday 28th October	Half Term
Monday 31st October	Year 9 - The Brilliant Club (3pm) Year 10 - The Brilliant Club (4pm)
Tuesday 1st November	Trip: Basketball at Copperbox Arena London
Wednesday 2nd November	Trip: Year 11 photography to V&A in London (all day) Trip: Year 10 and Year 11 Drama: Cambridge Arts Theatre (1.30pm)
Thursday 3rd November	Trip: Music Chess at Cambridge Arts Theatre (7.30pm)



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:

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

Site Assistant

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: 37 hours per week

Contract: Permanent

Deadline: 1 November 2022



Morning Receptionist / Administrator

Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: 27.5 hours per week

Contract: Permanent

Deadline: 28 October 2022

Library Assistant, Maternity Cover

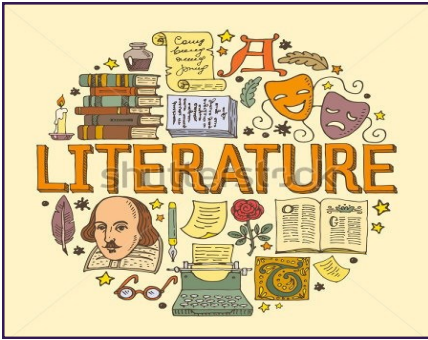
Start Date: ASAP in the Autumn Term 2022

Hours: 15 – 28 hours per week

Contract: Temporary

Deadline: 28 October 2022





Year 10: English Literature Texts



A reminder to parents and carers of year 10 students: if you haven't already done so, please can you ensure you have purchased your English literature text on ParentPay.

We strongly recommend that every student has their own copy of the text: they can then annotate as we study, which will be a crucial revision aid leading up to their exams next year.

Save the date: Community Litter Pick

Do you want to be a Litter Champion? As an Eco-School, we are organising our first Community Litter Picking Event on **Saturday 26th November, from 10 am till 1 pm. Meeting point: The Great Cambourne Cricket Pavilion**

Bring your family and friends and have fun outside while doing something really useful for the Cambourne Community. Litter picking equipment and refreshments will be provided. More details will be published nearer the time.



Aspirational Fridays continues!

Continuing from the success of last year we will continue to have weekly visitors into school. These talks will run throughout the year from speakers who are passionate about a topic, ranging from Space Travel to Fossils to Impressionist Art. Keep an eye out for a topic you might be interested in!

This term we have had visits from local museums and ex CamVC students. Thank you to Iria who visited us last week!

If you are interested in coming into school to share your area of interest or career, please get in touch with Miss Angell (jangell@cambournevc.org) - we'd love to hear from you!



Free online Black History Month lecture delivered by Professor David Olusoga OBE

Thank you to the students who joined us in watching an online lecture with award-winning writer, historian and broadcaster, Professor David Olusoga OBE.

You can watch a free recording of the event via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qeb-8yXKD4Q>

David Olusoga was awarded an OBE in 2019 for services to history and community integration. He specialises in the British Empire and how we experience its lasting effects in modern society. David has presented historical television programmes on the BBC. His television credits include Civilisations, Black and British, Our NHS: A Hidden History, A House Through Time and the BAFTA award-winning Britain's Forgotten Slave Owners.

His book, Black and British: A Short, Essential History, has recently been published especially for children as a follow-up to his best-selling 2016 exploration of the relationship between Britain and Africa. It presents children with an essential opportunity to study often-overlooked details of British history. At a time when there is huge debate around the best ways to teach children about the history of the British Empire and race in the classroom, Olusoga himself describes this book as 'the book I wish I had been given to read when I was at school'.





Some serious concern has been shown from students and parents regarding transport to and from post-16 providers. They are campaigning to make sure that the voices of young people are heard and that appropriate transport is in place.

In the meantime, students are encouraged to keep their options open and continue to apply for the post-16 providers despite any worries about changes to public transport.

British Cartographic Society: disaster relief mapping workshop – Tuesday 8th November:

A reminder to all year 10 and 11 Geography students, there is still time to sign up for this workshop. Parents and carers should register their interest using this link. <https://forms.office.com/r/tGckMRqp3>

We would like all our GCSE students to attend as it will be valuable revision for Year 11 and a great way for Year 10 to further understand an important Hazards example in more detail. Also, it is a chance to work on vital map skills, group work and decision making. Please refer to the SchoolPost notification sent out on the 22nd September for more details.



CCC Transport Strategies 2022: Public Consultation



The Transport Strategy team at Cambridgeshire County Council has developed three draft transport strategies that will set the County Council's transport policy approach for the districts of Fenland and Huntingdonshire, and for active travel across the whole county. They are now consulting with all stakeholders and the public on the draft strategies to give you the opportunity to input into them before they are finalised and recommended for adoption in Spring 2023.

They would welcome your comments on the following strategies, and also ask for your help in spreading the word.

- **Draft Fenland Transport Strategy**
- **Draft Huntingdonshire Transport Strategy**
- **Draft Cambridgeshire's Active Travel Strategy**

The public consultation survey is now live and can be accessed on their consultation website here <https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/>.

Please select which strategy you would like to find out more, read the draft strategy and provide your views by completing the online survey.

The survey will **close on Monday 7th November 2022.**

A428 Development Cluster Forums: Have your say!

There will be two community Forums, hosted by Cambridgeshire County Council, to be held 'back-to-back' online via zoom on the evening of **Wednesday 2nd November** – commencing at 6.00pm – you can attend one or both Forums, these are open for all – details re timing to follow:

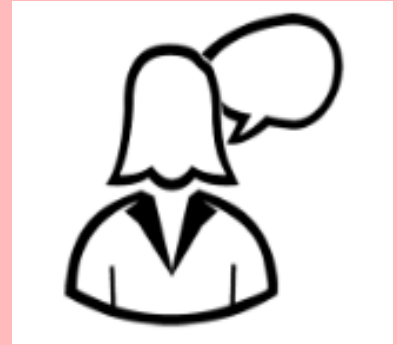
Date: 2nd November 2022

Times: A428 Development Cluster Forum – Cambourne

A428 Development Cluster Forum – Bourn Airfield

Location: Online via Zoom, see below for link and code:

<https://scams.gov.uk.zoom.us/j/87602351168?pwd=bng1ZUI3eUxvUGNSK2IJVmpidFIVdz09>



Agendas for each Forum will be shared prior to the Forum and made available on the Forum websites.

For information about the Forum, recordings of previous Forums and written responses to questions asked – please see the forum website:

[A428 Development Cluster - Bourn Airfield - South Cambs District Council \(scams.gov.uk\)](#)

[A428 Development Cluster - Cambourne - South Cambs District Council \(scams.gov.uk\)](#)

These pages also provide further information on the Forums, joining instructions for the Forums and an invitation to join a mailing list.



Please see below a letter from Jonathan Lewis, Service Director of Education and Jyoti Atri, Director of Public Health.

My ref: Parent Letter – Autumn 2022
Your ref:

Date: 13 October 2022

Contact: Jyoti Atri/ Jonathan Lewis

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PE28 4YE

Dear Parent / Carer,

As schools and settings return for the autumn term, we expect to see an increasing number of children and staff absences due to winter viruses including Covid-19. As a result, schools and settings are working hard to balance safety with the need to ensure that children receive the education and care they need.

As parents/carers, you have a role to play in helping reduce the spread of infections and ensuring schools and settings can continue to operate.

Covid-19/Respiratory Infections

The symptoms of COVID-19 and other respiratory infections are very similar. It is not possible to tell if your child has COVID-19, flu or another respiratory infection based on symptoms alone. Most people with COVID-19 and other respiratory infections will have a relatively mild illness.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and where possible avoid contact with other people. They can go back to their school or setting when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

In some cases, a continued cough or feeling tired remains after other symptoms have improved, this does not mean that the person is still infectious. Children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their school or setting. All children and young people with respiratory symptoms should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should stay at home and where possible avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. In children, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower after 3 days if they feel well and do not have a high temperature.

If your child is aged 5 years and older and has not had 2 doses of the COVID vaccine, you can book a vaccine appointment. [Book or manage a coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Influenza

School-aged children (reception to year 6) will be offered influenza immunisation at school through the Community and School Age Immunisation Service. All children 2 and 3 years of age on 31 August 2022 will receive nasal spray vaccine at the GP surgery. Secondary school children

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Chief Executive: Matthew Gladstone

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk
www.peterborough.gov.uk

will be offered influenza vaccination as far as it is possible to do so, with primary schools and lower years 7, 8 and 9 prioritised, and older ages offered vaccination once an offer has been made to younger children and subject to vaccine availability. All children aged 2-17 years with long-term health conditions will be offered the flu vaccine.

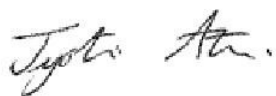
The flu vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia and will avoid the need for you to take time off work due to your child becoming unwell with flu. For children from the age of 2, flu immunisation is delivered via nasal spray which is painless and easy to have. Flu vaccines are needed every year as the vaccine is updated as flu viruses can change from one winter to the next. Some children may not be able to have the nasal spray but this will be covered in the consent form which you will be required to fill in before it is given.

Diarrhoea and vomiting (D&V)

During autumn/winter we see increased levels of diarrhoea and vomiting (D&V). Good hand hygiene is important to stop the spread of the virus. It is important to understand that alcohol gels, whilst effective for COVID-19 do not kill viruses which cause D&V and people are advised to wash their hands thoroughly using soap and water and dry them after using the toilet, before preparing food and eating. If your child has had symptoms of diarrhoea and/or vomiting, they should not return to their school or setting until they have been symptom-free for at least 48 hours.

Thank you for taking the time to read this information. Following this advice will help to keep our children's childcare and education settings safe.

Yours sincerely



Jyoti Atri
Director of Public Health
Cambridgeshire County Council
and Peterborough City Council



Jonathan Lewis
Service Director: Education
Cambridgeshire County Council
and Peterborough City Council

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 – November 2022



MONDAY 3-4pm

Trampolining – Gym
KS4 basketball – Sports hall
Girls' football – Astro
Table tennis – Performance Hall
Hockey – Astro

TUESDAY 3-4pm

Dance – Drama studio
KS3 Basketball – Sports hall
Volleyball – Gym
Year 9-11 Boys' Football
KS4 table tennis – Performance Hall

WEDNESDAY 3-4pm

FIXTURES

BTEC Catch up – IT04
GCSE Catch up – O11
Netball – Hard courts

THURSDAY 3-4pm

Sports Leaders Opportunities – Check the Sports Leaders Board
Girls active – Sports Hall (sports leaders)

FRIDAY 3-4pm

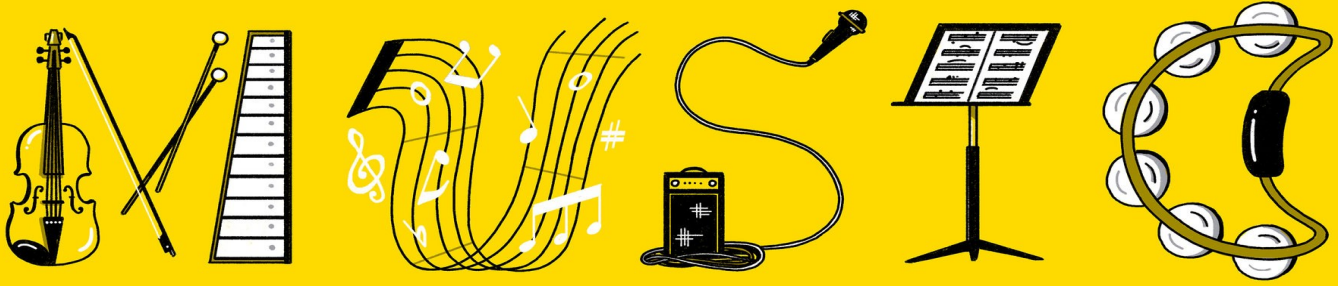
Badminton – Sports Hall and Gym
Year 7-8 Boys' football – Astro
Girls' rugby – Field
Boys' rugby – Field

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

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

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CAMPBELLIRNE
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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!

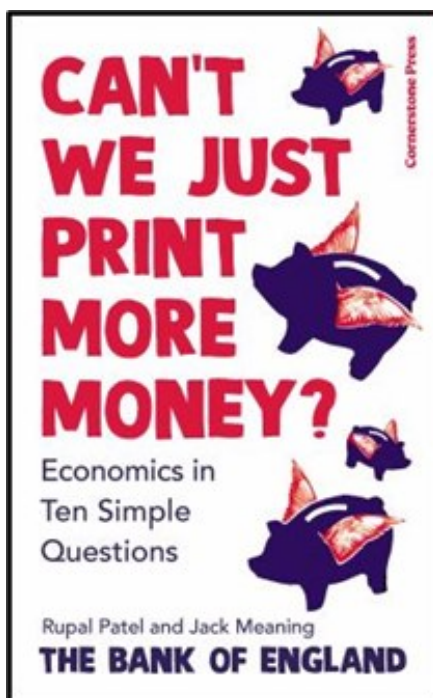
We look forward to seeing them there.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Home girl by Alex Wheatle

Home Girl is the story of Naomi, a teenage girl growing up fast in the care system. It is a wholly modern story which sheds a much-needed light on what can be an unsettling life - and the consequences that can follow when children are treated like pawns on a family chessboard. *Home Girl* is fast-paced and funny, tender, tragic and full of courage - just like Naomi. It is award-winning author Alex Wheatle's most moving and personal novel to date. **(Available from the School Library and as an audiobook on SORA)**



Can't we just print more money?: Economics in ten simple questions by Rupal Patel

Whether you're buying lunch, looking for a job, or applying for a mortgage, the thing we call 'the economy' is going to set the terms. A pity, then, that many of us have no idea how the economy actually works. That's where this book comes in. The Bank of England is Britain's most important financial institution, responsible for printing money, regulating banks, and keeping the economy running smoothly. Now, the Bank's team explain what economics can - and can't - teach us about the world. Accessible, authoritative, and surprisingly witty, this is a crash course in economics and why it matters. **(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](#)

Please find below a flyer from the CTSN SCITT for anyone interested in getting into teaching. Details of other upcoming events can be found at: <https://ctsnscitt.info/events/>



Thinking about becoming a Teacher?

Come talk to us on
Tuesday 1st November
6-7pm

Book the online event via EventBrite

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ctsn-scitt-train-to-teach-information-evening-november-tickets-439803723777>



CTSN SCITT Train to Teach Information Event



Virtual Work Experience Programmes

October 2022

Framing Futures: See what's possible - Specsavers

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Field to Fork – Careers in Agriculture, Agri-Tech, Food Production & Distribution

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Mid and South Essex Health and Care Partnership Virtual Work Experience Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Healthcare Careers with Stockport NHS Foundation Trust

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



North Cumbria – AHP

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Architecture, Ocean Science, Music, and More - STEM Careers in Acoustics

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Fujitsu WorkX

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Reachout for Healthcare Science

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust and Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Future Talent, Future Heroes

Start date: 3rd Oct
Deadline: 31st Dec

[More info](#)



Health and Care Careers in Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent Social Care Virtual Work Experience

Start date: 26th Sep
Deadline: 21st Sep

[More info](#)



Coventry Building Society

Start date: 10th Oct, 3rd Jan, 17th Apr
Deadline: 16th Dec, 31st Mar, 25th Jul

[More info](#)



Kör: Careers at Volvo Trucks

Start date: 13th Feb
Deadline: 9th Feb

[More info](#)



Barclays Lifeskills

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



The Next Pret Product

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)





Virtual Work Experience Programmes

October 2022

Nursing & Midwifery

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



The World of The British Library

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Building for Your Future

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Salesforce Virtual Internship Experience Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust VWEX Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

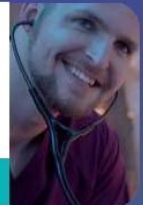
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Hertfordshire and West Essex Health and Care Academy Insight in NHS Careers

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Insight into Investec's Bank and Wealth Business

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



LNER Tomorrows Talent

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Countryside - Destiny

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Newcastle General VWEX programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Newcastle Cardiology Insight Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



STEPS Engineering Your Future

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Direct Line Group

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Medicine HEE South East

Start date: 11th Aug
Deadline: 1st June 2023

[More info](#)

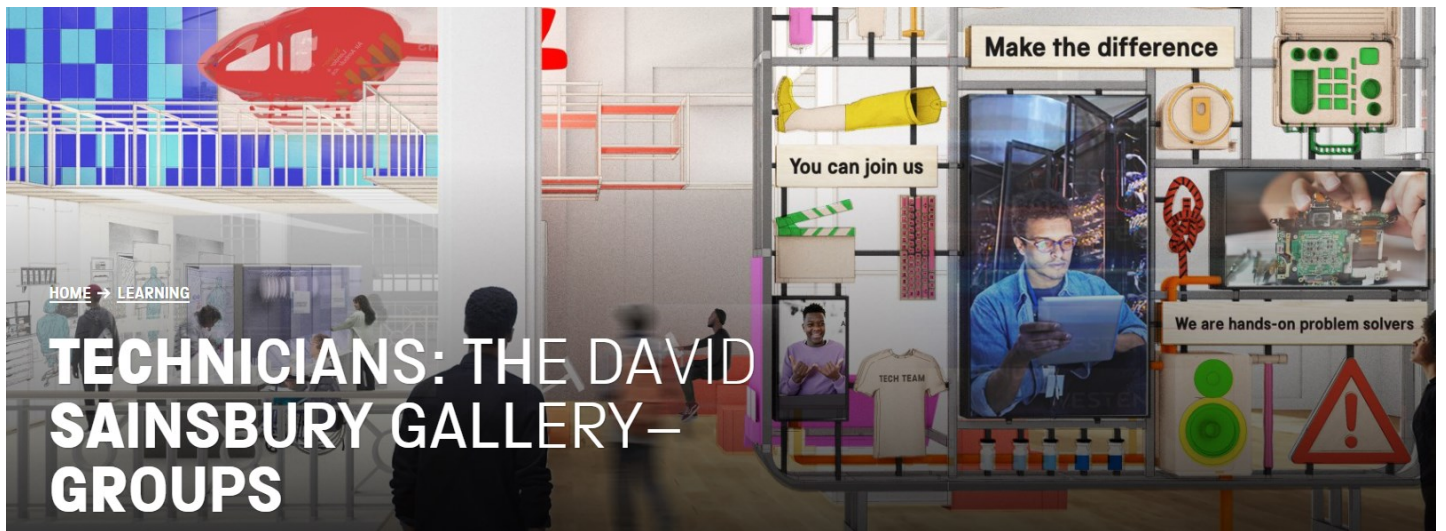


Nursing & Midwifery HEE South East

Start date: 11th Aug
Deadline: 1st June 2023

[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

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INVITATION FOR PARENTS:

FREE TO ATTEND

SUCCESS BEYOND SCHOOL

HOW TO COACH TEENAGERS TOWARDS A SUCCESSFUL CAREER

We are delighted to announce the first events in our Success Beyond School series for this academic year. These are live online seminars featuring career experts, designed to help parents amplify their children's career potential.

The events are for parents of students aged 12-18 and are free to attend.

12TH OCTOBER: MAKING IT IN MEDICINE

Expert advice on how to get into medical school

16TH NOVEMBER: FUTURE-PROOFING STUDENTS

Preparing students for the jobs of the future

30TH NOVEMBER: FINDING A FUTURE IN FINANCE

Gaining the skills for a career in Finance

Register Now



EXPERIENCES IN 19 CAREERS

Explore our life-changing, immersive career opportunities for ages 12-18, which take place at UCL and live online.

Weekend programmes are available throughout this term, we are currently offering a 15% discount on our flagship summer programmes.

Register Now



www.investin.org



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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.



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



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.